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PLENTY OF GOSSIP BUT NO FACTS

Everybody Wants Information—Rev. J. G. Robinson Talks Over Ohio Situation with the President—Notes of Interest.

(Thompson's National News Bureau.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 13.—The "Gum-Shoe Club" is in charge of national politics at this writing. Everybody has his best ear close to the ground, trying to catch a whisper which will indicate "where he is at." "Well, what do you know?" is the query that greets a fellow at every crossing where the "wise guys" are accustomed to assemble and hold "sweet converse.' Big men and little men are alike at sea, and, for the nonce, there is a truce in the whilom fractiousness of the factions. There is sympathetic groping on the part of both the "regulars" and the "insurgents." A regular, to draw the fire of a superheated insurgent, will rush to the front this week and cut loose at full speed with a broadside in defense of the administration. An insurgent, a trifle more adventurous than his brethren, will pop up a short fly to center, which the fielder, however, loses in the sun. Alternating turns at the bat by both sides seem to be productive of an abundance of errors, but no runs. The heavy-hitters seem to have lost their batting eye; fleet runners are caught trying to steal bases; and the slickest sliders are snued out after the hardest kind of an effort to beat a long throw to the home plate. The national game seems to be at a standstill. The papers, white and colored, are full of prognostications, speculations and sensational communications. Of gossip there is a plenty, but of facts, there is a famine. Indeed and in truth, "where are we at?"

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The remnants of the disintegrating "Black Cabinet" meet here and there—usually in sections. Neither element knows what the other has in its hand—or more to the point—up its sleeve. Suspicion is thick enough to be cut with a knife; nobody is thoroughly trusted, and protestations of loyalty must be renewed every day, or the awful cry of "deserter" is apt to be raised and your name bluepenciled. A visitor who comes to town is carefully inspected, to see if he has on his person any endorsements that may endanger the incumbancy of the "faithful." Few pilgrimages are made to the White House, as President Taft has his hands full of Caucasian brethren as high up the tree as the colored brother is finding himself; but, if a telephone summons should come, the Negro leader is "Johnny on the spot," ready to face the situation with Spartan resignation—to continue to serve or to hike homeward, as the Powers will it. The candidates are writing local friends for information; but, who has any of that precious commodity in stock? All agree, however, that if we but possess our souls in patience and wait we shall see what we shall see.

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Rev. J. G. Robinson, pastor of the Baker Street A. M. E. church, Dayton, O., and candidate for the legislative nomination in that district, is here to see the President, to talk over the Ohio situation and to try to "loosen things up a bit," in view of the pending election in the Buckeye State. Dr. Robinson may not be averse to accepting a right good fuderal berth himself, just to promote harmony and revive the spirits of the colored voters in the close districts of the State.

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Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson is in Atlanta, winding up his personal affairs, preparatory to assuming the office of recorder of deeds. He will return here about April 25. His family will remain in Atlanta for the present. He will make his home with his old friend, Mr. Sam W. Harris, on M street, southwest, until he gets ready to go to housekeeping.

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Retiring Recorder John C. Dancy will take the lecture platform, and it is said he has already enough engagements booked to carry him nearly across the continent. A public testimonial, city-wide in scope, is talked of for Mr. Dancy, and his temporary leave-taking from the office he has so well filled will be made an occasion broad enough to allow everyone a chance to pay their respects and voice their appreciation of his labors as a journalist, race leader, churchman and public official.

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Mr. W. D. Johnson, special agent for the general land office, in a communication to the Washington American last week, takes the New York Age to task for its alleged "insurgency," and asks the Age some questions. Mr. Johnson is an editor of exerience, and enjoys a personal acquaintance of nearly twenty years with President Taft. He stands ready to defend the administration against all comers, and it is said that he may be given charge of the publicity end of the White House's relations with the colored people of the country.

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Register W. T. Vernon has returned from a trip to the West, visiting his school, the Western University at Quindaro, Kans., and spending some time with friends in Topeka, and at his old home in Missouri, wher his agend parents reside, the proud beneficiaries of his bounty. Dr. Vernon's trip was marred by the death of an uncle, to whose bedside he was called from Washington. Otherwise he found conditions very satisfactory and reports unprecedented prosperity for his school, the presidency of which he retains. A monument to John Brown is to be erected on the campus and Bishop Grant will collect subscriptions to that end.

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The people of Washington are watching with interest the outcome of the investigation now being conducted by the State Department, in which the government of Gautemala is a principal. It is alleged that two American Negroes were assaulted and wounded by the officer in command of the Panzos, Gautemala, March 23, while the officer was intoxicated, and were later thrown into prison, and friends were refused permission to dress their wounds. The United States Minister at Gautemala City has been instructed to insist upon prompt and adequate redress. The names of the Negroes are not given in the report made by the minister to the State Department.

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The Washington Commercial Council, of which Architect John A. Lankford is president, will hold a public meeting next Tuesday evening at Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, in conjunction with the Bethel Literary and Historical Association. Rev. R. C. Ransom, of New York City, will deliver an address on "The Negro as a National Business Asset." Mrs. Lucy Blagburn will sing, and there will be other music. The meeting will be held in the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church and the attendance will undoubtedly be large.

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Mr. Ocea Taylor, one of the editors of the Washington American, a young man of brilliant intellectual attainments and a natural born newspaper man, has been designated by the Director of the Cencus to supply the journals of the race with information of value touching the census. The selection is a fitting benefit to the papers and to the race.

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Mr. Richard C. Bundy, of Ohio, named by President Taft as Secretary of Legation at Monrovia, Liberia, was confirmed by the Senate March 31. He will attend the school of instruction at the State Department here before proceeding to his station across the sea. It is expected that Mr. Bundy will prove to be a capable and efficient assistant to Minister Ernest Lyon, and is considered in the natural line of promotion for minister in the event of a vacancy at the Liberian capital.

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Bishop W. H. Heard, of the A. M. E. Church, stationed at Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa, is spending some time in this country haking his headquarters at Greystone Manse, Philadelphia, where his wife resides. Mrs. Heard has not been in good health since her return from Africa, where she went at the time the Bishop assumed his duties at Monrovia. There is a persistent rumor afloat that for divers and sundry reasons the Episcopal committee of the connection may oer Bishop Hearod a home district at the sitting of the next general conference in 1912.

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The Committee on Industrial Arts and Expositions of the House, has made a favorable report on the Taylor-Rodenberg resolution providing for the creation of a commission to inquire into the feasibility of holding a semi-centennial exposition of Negro progress in 1913. The bill will pass the House and then go to the Senate, where its favorable reception has been practically agreed upon. The measure was recommended by President Taft in his message to Congress, and it has had the hearty support of every influential member of both Houses from the outset.

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The personnel of the commission is still in the dark, but it is not doubted that the men chosen will be of the right caliber to give the subject the consideration its importance deserves. Andrew Carnegie, John D. Rockefeller, Jr.; Robert C. Ogden, John Wanamaker, Congressmen Taylo rand Rodenberg and others of that type have been mentioned, and Major R. R. Moten, Dr. R. H. Boyd, G. L. Knox, T. J. Calloway, Prof. E. L. Blackshear, Prof. R. R. Wright, J. C. Napier and Dr. Booker T. Washington are being discussed in this connection. For the secretaryship of the commission, if there is to be such an officer, it is said that a prominent newspaper man of Washington is under consideration. The commission has in charge a weighty responsibility, and it will approach the questions at issue with great caution.

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The bill to reimburse the depositors of the Freedmen's Savings and Trust Company has been favorably reported to the Senate by the Committee on Education and Labor. The bill makes available $1,291,744.50 still due to 61,131 depositors in the bank to be paid to them or their legal representatives. The money must be claimed within one year after the passage of the act. The bill also provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to directly or indirectly accept or receive from any depositor or his legal representative any compensation for any services, either in procuring the passage of the act or in the collection or payment of the amount due. This proviso protects the innocent depositors from any unfair advantage which some unscrupulous attorney or loan shark might take of them, and guarantees that the money will reach the persons entitled to it. The original sum for which the bank was liable when it failed was $2,939,925.22. Of this amount 62 per cent. have been paid, leaving 38 per cent. to be paid out of the amount appropriated by this act. For many years these depositors have knocked in vain at the doors of Congress, but now it seems that their prayers are to be answered and the desired relief is in sight. For the achievement of this happy result the race is greatly indebted to former Registrar Judson W. Lyons, Lawyer James H. Hayes and Rev. James L. White, who have labored early and late and made strong arguments that led to the endorsement of the President of the United States and convinced the Senate committee of the justice of their claims. The money thus allowed will be distributed among colored families in nearly every State in the Union.

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Local attorneys are not greatly worried over the Digges amendment, designed to disfranchise the Negroes of Maryland. The general opinion, shared also by Governor Crothers of Maryland, is that the measure is unconstitutional and will not stand when reviewed by the highest courts in the land.

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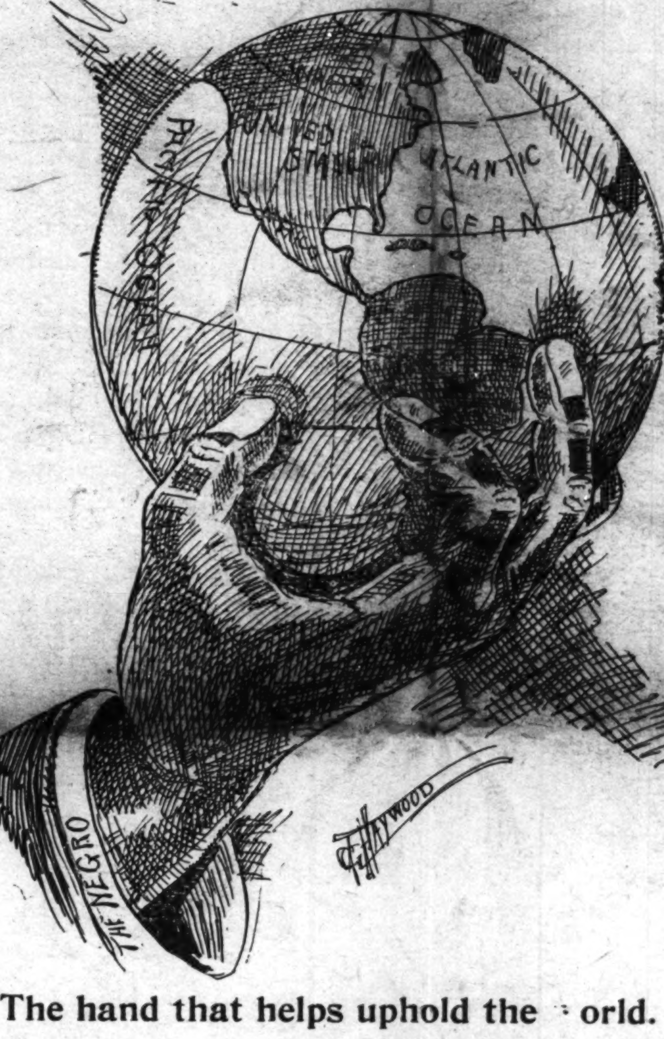
The Fourth District quarterly meeting of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Washington District of the A. M. E. Zion church is to be held at John Wesley A. M. E. Zion church on Thursday(April 28. Mrs. Ida V. Smith, district president, will preside. Reports from all of the local societies will be heard. Prominent participants in the program will be Bishop J. W. Smith, Rev. J. A. S. Cole of Baltimore, Miss Grace Thompson of Arlington, Mrs. A. E. Washington of Burrville, Miss Sarah J. Janifer, Mrs. Alice Marshall, Mrs. B. A. Ray, Mrs. Jennie Green and others. The officers of the district society are, besides Mrs. Smith: Mrs. B. A. Ray, superintendent Buds of Promise; Miss Annie Broadie, secretary; Mrs. H. W. Smith, corresponding secretary; Mrs. D. Owens, treasurer.

R. W. THOMPSON.

A HELPING HAND.



The hand that helps uphold the world.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

With the sale of the Summer Cottage, 1520 Arctic avenue, for years conducted by Mr. Nathan White, a pioneer citizen of Atlantic City, another landmark of the resort closes its doors. Summer Cottage was founded by the late Mrs. Elizabeth Burton, aunt of Mr. White, and was opened in the early seventies, and with the Clinton Cottage and Havelow House constituted the only places for accommodations during the summer season. Mr. White will now give his entire time to the growing business of the Southern Cafe, which he has been connected with for a number of years....Rev. Handy, presiding elder of the M. E. connection, is residing at the Villa apartments, 1908 Arctic avenue....Rev. Martin, of Cambridge, Md., is the newly appointed pastor of Asubry church, N. Michigan avenue....Mrs. Catharine L. Swanson, wife of William J. Swanson and daughter of the late bishop, J. J. Clinton, of the A. M. E. Zion connection, died April 7 at her residence, the Ripple Villa, Atlantic City, N. J. The deceased was widely known as a church worker and a solace of comfort to the sick and distressed of Atlantic City. She left a dear husband, three children, two sisters and three brothers to mourn her loss; also many friends.

VALDOSTA, GA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. P. M. H. Stafford and R. L. Peters returned to the city last Saturday from Nashville, Tenn., where they have been attending Meharry Medical College. Mr. Peters has completed his course in pharmacy, and left for Atlanta Wednesday, where he will go before the State Board on the 11th inst. Mr. Stafford has one more term in dentistry....Ned Hardrick has added a new department to his business. He has opened up the biggest tailoring shop in town, employing Mr. Dock Mortimer and Taylor Sprague, of Tampa, Fla. Mr. Mortimer is a first-class tailor and will attend to that part, while Hardrick and Sprague will attend to the pressing department....The people of this city were shocked with the news of the death of Mr. Robt. D. Walker on last Saturday at 3 p. m. He was a prominent man and an employe at Mr. Chas. River's mercantile store. His remains were taken to Morven, Ga., where the burial will take place....Drew Corbett, of Savannah, was called to this city on account of the death of his father, John Corbett, on Tnesday, April 5. He will return to Savannah in a few days.

DALLAS, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Grand Chancellor A. N. Prince, in his lecture to the Knights of Pythias here last Tuesday night, was the grandest ever presented to the members of all the lodges, and that is saying something, when you consider that there were members of St. Luke's Lodge No. 1 litsening to his words, who were members over twenty-three years ago, and know the ups and downs of the order in Texas, and have the growth of the membership year by year. These good things were often mentioned by Grand Chancellor Prince, and the balancing of the scales and the various kinds of men who compose this noble order. He was assisted by a team of Grand Lodge members to confer the O. M. A. and the Feast of Zebalon on over sixty candidates, who were on the anxious seat, and a joyful time was had, while the weeping creatures journeyed alone....Hon. R. H. Claypool, of Oklahoma, was called here again, after having been here a few days ago attending the funeral of his mother. This time it was his brother Jim, who had been ill some time....Mrs. Minnie Brooks and Bertha Wade have left to reside in the future in Seattle....The remains of Mrs. Henry Robinson, who died in Boley, were brought here Friday night by her mother and sister, and laid to rest in Longview Cemetery....A. D. Hancock entertained Major R. R. Jackson at his residence, Wednesday night....Prof. Bell, the portrait artist, spent several days here and exhibited his work at several of the leading churches....A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Griffin, 596 Cochran street, April 5....Mrs. Dr. Shields is visiting relatives and friends in Ohio, indefinitely. ....Mrs. Tennie Cotton is here from El Paso, visiting her daughter, Alma, and Mrs. M. C. Griffin and son, on Cochran street....Our people should be proud of the special tax levy recently voted for improvements of all the schools here and the new addition now under course of erection for the colored high school....The remains of Mr. David Watkins were shipped to Huntsville, Ala., for mterment by Paul Drayton Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of this city, of which he was an active member. ....Miss Alice Posely Little, of the City High Schools, won the $80 prize in the Brooks May Piano Company contest, and has received a check for the same....This contest was open to man ythousands of every nationality, and it was won by this girl of Negro parents....Grand Secretary W. A. Willis, of Waco, was here Saturday on business concerning the K. of P. order. ....When will the men of affairs and means take upon themselves the task to form business enterprises to employ the good young men and women of the race of this city....News for The Freeman should be left at 190 Main and 177 North Central avenue, and it will receive prompt attention by the representative, J. G. Griffind. Advertising matter must be paid for in advance. It is our aim to serve the whole people, and not a favored few. If you are next, get busy, for we are yours all the time.

MARION, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Marion is becoming the headquarters for colored preachers. The other day the Revs. Fisher, Day, Crawford and Williams made a tour of the tie-plant....Rev. Douglass Williams preached at the St. Paul Baptist church Thursday evening, April 7....Rev. Crawford, of Harrisburg, is visiting his family in Marion while the strike is on....Mr. and Mrs. Perry Matthews have started to housekeeping, joining lots with his mother....The cafe of Calhoun & Son is booming. It will not be long before an addition will be sought. ....Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Martin are rooming at Mrs. Clarence Casey's on S. Liberty street....Miss Emma Martin, of Carmi, has returned home after a short visit with her aunt, Mrs. Kidd....The stewardess board of the A. M. E. church gave an exhibition at the church....The St. Paul Baptist church gave an entertainment on Friday evening, April 8.... Mr. Frank Woodward is down from Benton visiting his family....Miss Eunice Matthews has returned from Murphysboro and reports her aunt, Mrs. Lizzie Bates, very low....Miss May Edmon, of Brookport, is in our city....The trustee helpers gave an entertainment at the A. M. E. church Saturday evening, April 9....The B. Y. P. U. has its regular meetings Sunday evenings at 6 o'clock, at St. Paul Baptist church....Mr. Frostrum of Metropolis, made a business trip up to Marion Thursday, April 7.

PROF. FRISZELL LECTURES

AT CHICAGO UNIVERSITY LAST SUNDAY

ADVOCATES WASHINGTON'S PRINCIPLES

Dr. E. C. Morris in Mound Bayou, Miss.—New Arrivals at Edmonton—Marriage of Mr. Mose Riley—General Notes.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

President Friszell, of Hampton College, gave a lecture at the Chicago Opera House Sunday evening, subject, "Religous, Normal and Agricultural Training." The lecture was largely atended and everyone seemed very much pleased. Among the many features of the discourse was that of the school of Mr. Booker T. Washington, of which Mr. Friszell spoke highly. ....Dr. E. C. Morris, of the National Baptist convention, has gone to Mound Bayou, Miss., on a business trip....The quarterly meeting of Wayman Chapel church was largely attended on last Sunday afternoon. Rev. Colbert, together with his Gospel Choir and members of the Zion church, were also present. Rev. Colbert delivered a very able sermon and the choir rendered very apropriate music for the occasion....The Woman's National Association is making strenuous efforts in regard to their convention to be held in Louisville, Ky., July 10 to 15. Miss Carter writes that the outlook is favorable for an unusually good meeting....Mrs. Amanda Smith, the evangelist, who has been called by some, one of our most eloquent speakers, addressed the Douglass Center people last Sunday. Although 73 years of age, she appears more vigorous and eloquent than she was years ago.... Mrs. L. Linsday-Davis gave an elaborate party in honor of her mother, Mrs. Sophia Linsday's, seventy-sixth birthday on Sunday afternoon. The decorations were beautiful....Dr. E. L. Moore, president of Moore's Institute of Chiropody, contemplates opening a summer school for out-of-town students....Philanthropists Day was observed at the Douglass Center Sunday afternoon. The meeting was in charge of Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Wooley. Many very interesting thoughts were brought out by many of the speakers, which greatly encouraged other philanthropists....Mrs. Anthony, treasurer of the Woman's National Association, is still ill at her home in St. Louis. Mrs. Yates, of Jefferson City, Mo., is temporary treasurer....Mr. Jack Johnson, champion of the world, has bought a site for the erection of a theater, located at Thirty-first street, between Dearborn and Armour avenue. The new theater is to be called the Airdome....An entertainment for the benefit of the Provident Hospital was held at the Masonic Hall Monday evening, April 11....Mrs. Mconald, who is in charge of the Juvenile Home is doing a great work. And it is said that over eight thousand bouquets of flowers have been distributed among the children.... On Sunday evening, April 10, the Rosebud department of the Grand Fountain of the United Order of True Reformers assembled at Zion church to listen to the annual sermon delivered by Rev. J. B. Colbert. Chief M. T. Bailey and Mrs. Luella Young gave brief outlines of the work and progress of the True Reformers. At the close of the service an offering from the Rosebud department was presented to Rev. J. B. Colbert by Mrs. Young. The services were largely attended....Mrs. Henrietta Saparv, of 812 E. Fourteenth street, Chicago, has returned home again after having spent a very pleasant winter at her old home, Tampa, Fla.

EDMONTON, ALBERTA, CANADA.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Owing to the illness of the correspondent a week ago Saturday, no Edmonton news appeared last week....During the past week the following immigrants have arrived in Edmonton: From Boggs, Okla., Henry, Amason and Morris Martin; E. J. Walk and wife, Charles Wall, Davis Smith and wife, Monroe Vermane and children; Alando, Gertrude, Annie, Issack, Addol and Reed Vermane. From Folis, Okla., H. C. Murphy. From Enid, Okla., Taylor Simpson and wife and children; Mable, Taylor, Jefferson, Lena and Rupert Simpson; Joe Payton and wife. From Arkansas City, Okla., William Wade and wife and children, Mary, Gladys and Bertha Wade; J. D. Willingham and wife and son Lesley; B. B. Wade and wife; Henry Allen and wife. From Kansas City, B. Bailey, Matilda Bailey, Henry Moore, Amely Bailey, Eva Bailey and Robert Bailey....On last Monday evening a very joyful time was spent at the home of Miss Susie Gough, 1019 Fourth street, at which time games and amusements were plentiful. Those present were, Edward Smith, Joe Briscoe, Walter Hill, Joseph Slate and Clifford Mitchell, and Misses Jones, Beulah Mitchell, Anna Paris, Cora Ramsay, Lottie Ramsay and Susie Gough. ....Arthur Golden is in the city from his homestead for the summer....Miss Essie Golden, of St. Paul, arrived in the city last week and together with her mother is staying at the residence of Mrs. Mitchell....William Alfred, of Lavoy, was in the city last week....Courtney Walker, together with Walter Hill, spent a few days at their homesteads last week.... J. C. Jones has secured a farm at River Que Barre, where he has left to put in his crop....W. H. McKanias writes from Frances, Saskatchewan that all in his company are well except himself, and are meeting with much success. He reorts that the Dunns of this city are not with them now....J. W. Parker left last week for the construction camps on the Grand Trunk Pacific west of Edmonton....Jones, Grant & Co., colored comedians, appeared at the Empire last week and met with much success....C. J. Harper arrived last week from Wichita, Kans., and expects to make this his future home....Allen Mack, together with A. Vance, was in from his homestead at Jarrow last week. ....Rev. Smith left for Clarksville on a few weeks' business trip....Possibly the most satisfactory "ad" appearing in THE FREEMAN, in their large special Christmas edition was that of Mr. Mose Riley, of this city, at which time he advertised for a life companion, the result of which being that he married on the evening of the 8th at his residence, 532 Isabella street, to Mrs. Millie Williams, late of St. Paul, Minn. Only a few of the intimate friends were present. Rev. Taylor officiated....Mr. Selectman, of Seattle, arrived in the city last week and is visiting his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Noy Pierson....Mrs. Pierson is some better at this writing....Mr. Ramsay has secured a house and is now living at 1144 Namaye avenue....Immigration has now started westward with leaps and bounds, and every train brings hundreds of immigrants of all races and nationalities into the city....The correspondent would like to hear from Sam Martin, of this city.... Leave all news mater, advertisements, subscriptions, changes of address, or any complaint of not receiving THE FREEMAN, etc., with Clifford C. Mitchell, the Edmonton correspondent, each week before Saturday to insure insertion in the following edition. Such messages can either be left at his residence, 547 Sutherland street, phone 2995; the office, 240 JJasper avenue, East, phone 1637; or address him at P. O. box 845, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada....Mrs. Gustavus Jones, of this city, arrived from Kansas City, where she has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Nichols, who was sick but is much better now. Mrs. Jones says Edmonton is good enough for her.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. E. H. McDonald delivered a lecture on "Little Things" at the West End Branch Y. W. C. A., on last Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. Miss Cummings, of Woodland Baptist church, and Madame Minor sang solos....Mr. James Vass has purchased a new motor car and is prepared to rent the same out to parties who desire to take sight-seeing trips....Mrs. Hines, of Ohio, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Turner, St. Albans street....Mr. Joseph Williams has gone to Chicago to spend a few weeks....Mr. G. B. Lowe has removed from Lennon's department store to the corner of Eighth and Wabasha streets....Messrs. Harry Vassar and Sylvester Bellesene leave shortly for Canada to reside on their claims....Messrs. Joseph Groff and Zack Twyman, of Monmouth, Il., passed through the city last week to look after their interests in Winnipeg, Canada....Miss Alice Vassar is at present in the employ of R. E. Cobb Commission Company in the capacity of stenographer....The banquet on April 7, given under the auspices of Perfect Ashler Masonic Lodge, was quite the swellest affair given this season. A very fine program was rendered....The Mecca Club will give a ball at Bowlby Hall on April 21....Mr. John P. Douglass has returned from Canada, where he went to look over the land situation. He states that about all of the best or desirable land has been filed on and it is very difficult to get anything, less than 75 to 100 miles from any railroad....Madame E. Azalia Hackley, the noted soprano, is scheduled to give a recital at Dyer's Music Hall on Wednesday evening, April 20. This is Madame Hackley's first appearance in St. Paul, and it is hoped that a large audience will greet this noted singer....Mr. R. E. Anderson has been appointed turnkey at the county jail....The Social and Literary Club met last Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker, on Jay street....Mr. and Mrs. B. Sears have removed to 1006 giehart avenue....Mr. O. C. Hall, formerly of this city, is now editing *The Western Age* at Muskogee, Okla. ....Mr. Lannie Jackson is employed at the Drake barber shop at Stillwater, Minn....Mr. Gus Jones was successful in winning his lawsuit to get possession of some property in the Rice street district, which was being retained by his mother, Mrs. Hudson. Mrs. Hudson is now a member of a religious sect who claim to be holy. She wanted the property to enhance the coffers of their common treasury....Phone your news in each week. Get a copy of the paper from Henry Crawford, the news agent.

ASHDOWN, ARK.

We learned from others that they had a grand time also at Little Bethel A. M. E. church. Their financial work was most excellent. There was quite a crowd of young people who went from town out to the above last mentioned church, and they report having a nice time....Rev. McKintash, of Little Rock, Ark., the grand master of the Western Thinkers, was on the streets today, the 28th inst., and the old man looks natural....Mr. A. Talton, the great colored financier, is building a nice residence, or better still, another residence among the many that he has. ....Rev. G. W. Young, our presiding elder, was on the streets of Ashdown on the 28th, and he reported his having a big time with the people of Toilette, Ark., Easter Sunday....Miss Millie Martin, of Horatis, Ark., was on the streets, and came over and stopped a while on the 28th. Miss Millie is one of the teachers of this county....Mrs. A. J. Williams, of Kansas City, formerly of this place, was with us on the 29th inst...Dr. W. H. Lane has gone out in Texas for a few days....Rev. J. C. McCoy, one of the strongest preachers, Baptist, in the county, was in my place of business this week and told us that he had a most excellent success Easter Sunday, both spiritually and financially. He said that he had five additions to the church, and raised $77.00 for education....Prof. W. R. Ward, one of our leading teachers in Little River county, of Long, Ark., was in my place of business on the 30th inst inst.....Call at J. H. McCollum's store and get THE FREEMAN.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Sunday's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. was indeed a lively one. On account of the absence of the secretary, Dr. Jackson, from the city, there was no appointed speaker, but the meeting was turned into a love feast; bible quotations and short addresses were had from the several members and everything proceeded in smoothness until Brother Waddy enlivened the occasion with one of his typical talks, dealing with the membership campaign. Mr. W. Hughes, a mail carrie rof Louisville, was in the city Sunday, the guest of Miss Ollie Beecher. Miss Beecher entertained Sunday afternoon in honor of her guest. Those present were, Miss Ollie Chinn, Mr. James Overby, Mr. L. H. Stewart, Mr. W. F. Cooper and Lawyer Wilson.

SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON

Sympathy.

Out into the world of men
Let me go;
Love and pity dwell not there—
That I know.
What wouldst find, then, in the world—
Renown?
To its heartbeat I'd atune
Mine own.
—Beatrice Irwin, in the Smart Set.

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Don't believe all you hear.

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It pays a business man to advertise.

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Kentucky still has her plate out—like Oliver Twist—for "more."

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A leader, to be successful, must believe in the possibilities of his people.

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Former Vice President Fairbanks will loom large in national politics in 1912.

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A great many people "bury the hatchet" when they have "an axe to grind."

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Although "Teddy" Roosevelt has wiped the dust of Africa from his brogans, Minister Lyon, Lieut. Davis, Bishop Scott, Bishop Walters and Phil Payton have arrived upon the scene, and will probably be able to maintain something like an equilibrium for the time being, at least.

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Dr. Sutton E. Griggs, of Nashville, Tenn., the widely known author, has been appointed corresponding secretary of the National Educational Board, to succeed the late Rev. A. N. McEwen, of Mobile, Ala. The selection is a popular one and meets with the approval of the religious and educational forces of the country.

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Charlotte, N. C., is trying to have a number of Negro policemen. With Bishop Clinton, Editor Clement, Bishop Warner, Biddle College, and the liberal-minded white citizens of Charlotte behind the proposition; and it will crystalize into reality. Charlotte is one of the most promising cities in the entire South.

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A feature of the New York meeting of the National Negro Business League will be a revival of the discussion on "The Negro Servant Girl Problem," held over from the Louisville meeting, and which attracted more attention than any single question before the League. It is fitting that New York should get another trial at the problem, after the bomb that it caused to explode in that city just five years ago.

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The resolution for the Commission of Seven to take up the matter of holding a semi-centennial exposition of Negro progress in 1913, has been favorably reported to the House of Representatives by the Committee on Industrial Arts and Expositions, and will be passed in due season by both branches of Congress. Among the colored men prominently mentioned for places on the commission are Dr. R. H. Boyd, Prof. E. L. Blackshear, Major R. R. Moton, Editor G. L. Knox, T. J. Calloway, Prof. R. R. Wright, Bishop G. W. Clinton, J. C. Napier, Charles Banks and many others.

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The rise of Dr. James E. Shepard to a foremost place in the ranks of the nation's educators and philanthropists shows what a young man can accomplish when he sets his head, heart and hands to work along right lines. The world is never too busy to stop and give heed to men who are anxious to cause two blades of grass to grow where but one grew before. The whole country, from President Taft down, are eager to help the great National Religious Training School which Dr. Shepard has established at Durham, N. C., because they realize that in Christian teachings, coupled with industry and thrift, is the foundation of all permanent plans for the solution of the American race problem. Dr. Shepard is on the right track, and should be heartily supported by money as well as by sentiment.

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One of the cleanest and most thoughtful race journals in the country is the Nashville Globe, edited by Mr. D. A. Hart. It is a five-column quarto, and is set up by linotype throughout. The Globe is now in its fifth year, and in celebrating its anniversary, the editor stated in modest vein that it had been the policy of the paper to espouse the cause of the people to the best of its ability, and that for all time to come the Globe would see to it that the Negro's bright side should be kept before the world's view. Mr. Hart also remarked: "We have not pleased all the people at all times, but we can truthfully say that we have always striven to be just toward every one." The Globe is a credit to Negro journalism and is a leader in the corps that is maintaining the confidence of both races in the honesty and moral courage of the craft—a work that means so much to all the people.

SOME EVENTS OF INTEREST

Approaching Election of the Public School Teachers.

By Cary B. Lewis.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Mrs. Anna Cole Jackson, a very popular Louisville girl, and who has been a teacher in Jefferson county, left last week for Cleveland, Ohio, to visit her mother and sister.

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Mrs. Lillian Brown, wife of Dr. Brown, of Indianapolis, Ind., was in the city last week to attend the funeral of her aunt. She was accompanied by her brother, Mr. Jones, of the same city.

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Mrs. Hayden and her little grandson, Franklin Beck, arrived in the city last Sunday from Evansville. Franklin is the son of Dr. H. B. Beck.

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Invitations are out announcing the birth of E. K. Jones, Jr. The father of the young baby is Prof. E. K. Jones, a teacher in the manual training department at the Central High School. Young Jones will be at home April 16. Already he has received a number of remembrances.

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Miss Nannie May Stewart, a graduate of the class of 1908 of the Central High School, is very ill at her home at 2317 Magazine street. She is a member of this year's graduating Normal class.

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Miss Hesto O. Brown, of Ohio, and sister of Miss Mae Brown, at the State University, has been visiting the city.

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The Rev. Quarells, of Paris, Ky., is in the city, carrying on a revival at Emanuel Baptist Church.

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In the "100 in a Day Campaign" at the Y. M. C. A. last Monday, the teams succeeded in securing sixty new members with a promise of that many more. The campaign will be extended throughout the week and on Sunday, April 10, Judge H. S. Barker, judge of the Court of Appeals of the State, will deliver an address. Judge Barker is a brilliant and able speaker and it is expected to be one of the most interesting meetings in the history of the association.

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Now that the time is fast approaching for the election of school teachers for the public schools, there are some rumors that a certain "colored trustee" will have some influence with the election of teachers or their supplanting. Some years ago this sort of influence was laid bare, both its faults and follies, and we don't believe that the trustees and people will submit to it again, the day being too far spent for a better system of affairs.

The real meritorious teacher should have no fear. The teacher that has done the work will be on "easy street." It's natural for the teacher who has lacked the qualification, been reported for direlict of duty, should have some fear and cause to pine, but the real, whole-souled and well equipped teacher may have no fear of the "learing tell tale," who struts as "colored school trustee" that influence.

The supervisors are now putting a premium on work, and this the teachers are delighting to do, for they feel that at present that is some reward and an increase for their services.

The board of fourteen will soon pass out and men who are above reproach will, it is hoped, be elected to the Commission on Education, which includes only five men from the city at large. At present things are very quiet in the schools, but something is expected "to drop" before the warm days of June.

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Fifteen out of the 250 U. S. Census enumerators appointed for Louisville are colored, as follows: Loretta Parker, Lee L. Brown, Lemel Duncan, Jr., Armstead Gaddie, Rev. A. Hannum, Luther Harris, B. F. Henry, Edgar Jordan, R. E. Malone, P. C. Martin, Rev. Geo. Nicholas, Miss Irene Perdue, Chas. A. Powell, W. L. Ricks and Miss Maud Vaughn

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Last week there was a display of the work done in the millinery and cooking departments of the New Domestic Science Hall at State University, 712 West Kentucky street. A host of citizens were present to see the display, and it was the consensus of opinion that the progress that had been made could not have been bettered.

The exhibition was one of actual demonstration of what had been accomplished by those taking the courses. The hats trimmed by the young girls were perfectly beautiful, stylish and artistic. The different "cookies" were delicious and showed evidence of much training. The work is in charge of Miss Anderson and the visitors were very much pleased with the work and paid her many compliments.

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Miss Carolyn Steward, daughter of Editor W. H. Steward, has been sick at her home on Eighth avenue. Miss Steward was thrown to the ground by a rope which some men had stretched across the pavement near her home in putting up some electric wires. She was badly bruised up and was forced to remain indoors for several days. She is able to be out again.

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Mrs. Laura Bally Duncan, wife of Lemuel Duncan, died at her home on West Green street. She was a bride of a few months and was very popular with the younger set of the city. Mr. Duncan is quite young and is one of the hustling business men of the city. The body was shipped to Georgetown for burial.

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Dr. W. T. Amiger, president of the State University, will soon make announcement of the commencement exercises to be held at an early date. It is said that the speaking and music will be better than last year.

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Quite a neat sum was realized by Mrs. J. B. Cooper and members of the Ladies' Guild of the Quinn Chapel A. M. C. Church. Mrs. J. E. Simpson, Mayme Maxwell, Florence and Lucretia Gibson and others deserve much credit in working up such a splendid bazar. The money that was made will go to the building treasury. The Rev. J. C. Anderson and members of the church are making great efforts to erect a beautiful church in the city, to represent "Mother Bethel."

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Mr. Pete Walker has opened up a shining parlor on Walnut street, between Ninth and Tenth streets. He will sell The Freeman.

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Friday night, April 15, the Young Men's Progressive League will entertain the young people of the city at Odd Fellows' Hall.

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The Colored Fair Association has decided to hold another fair next season. It will be held early in September at the State Fair grounds. Prof. W. D. Thomas is secretary and W. C. F. Mason is president. The stockholders held a meeting last week and decided to do everything possible to make the fair a greater success than ever.

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Mr. W. H. Goodall, a graduate of the Central High School, and a student of a law school of Philadelphia, and a graduate of the Central Law School of this city, is making progress in his profession. He won two hard case last week.

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The glad news has reached here that Miss Nannie H. Burroughs is much improved. It was reported that she would be in this city soon, but later reports have it that she will not be here until after the closing exercises of the National Training School, Washington, D. C.

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Mr. M. Haynes, of Chicago, Ill., has been in the city for several days visiting his relatives. While here he was royally entertained by his old friend, Mr. Henry Allen, of the Louisville Hotel. Mr. Haynes is a baseball player of the first water, but is now located on State Street, Chicago, in a large fur factory. He is said to have one of the best positions of its kind in the city.

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Miss Ophelia Porter, of New Orleans, is in the city and is the guest of Miss Genevia Cowles, of the Baptist Foreifin Mission rooms. Miss Porter attended the public schools of New Orleans and also the Leland University of that city. She has had a great deal of training in music and dressmaking, and she goes from here to the National Training School, Washington, D. C., to complete her course. While in the city she was pleasantly entertained by Miss Cowles and other members of the Foreign Mission rooms.

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Grand Master Jones, of Henderson, and Rev. Munday, of the same city, were in the city Sunday. Both are high officials of the Knights of Pythias of the State and their trip here was of a business nature. Rev. Munday has been in the East in the interest of the Episcopal Mission of Henderson.

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The many friends of Mr. Ed Lancaster, and they are legions, are glad to learn that he is doing so well in the tailoring business. Mr. Lancaster is located on Walnut street, between Sixth and Seventh streets, and is one of The Freeman's best friends. Those in need of his services, he shall be glad to hear from them.

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The Rev. Leroy Ferguson, pastor of the Episcopal Church of Our Merciful Savior, was confined at the Red Cross Sanitarium last week. His illness was due to overwork while in the East a few weeks ago. He was attended by Dr. H. B. Beck. Rev. Ferguson was able to be out on Sunday.

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TO THE PUBLIC.

I wish to say for the benefit of thoes who are interested in their hair that I have taken treatments from Madame C. J. Walker for four months and so well pleased was I that I have been learning the art of growing hair. My scalp was in a very bad condition and my hair short I was compelled to use false hair in order to dress my hair, but I am glad to say that I can dress my hair any way now, without the use of any false hair whatever.

After the first of May I will be prepared to give my friends the benefit of what I have learned.

Respectfully,
LENA LEWIS,
23 Wandless St. Pittsburg, Pa.,

Dear Madame:—I am delighted to say at this writing that my hair is three or four inches longer. It is straight and soft. I have sale for all I can get of your Hair Grower, so many of your customers want me to treat the scalp.

Now I am anxious to learn your scalp treatment. Let me know what you charge to teach one.

Respectfully,
Principle MRS. E. T. BARBOMR,
Booker T. Washington El Reno,
School Oklahoma.

Dear Madame:—When I began using your Wonderful Grower last December, my hair had fallen out and was only two inches long, thick and soft. I am ready to take up the agency for your goods. I know I can do well, as everybody here knew what my hair was when I began using. Please write your terms to agents at once and oblige.

MRS. BAILEY,
Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

Dear Mrs. Walker:—After having taken your treatmemt for four months and having received such wonderful result that I feel it my duty to say something for the benefit of the women of Pittsburg. as my hair has grown over five inches in four months, under your wonderful treatment. I don't believe there is anything to equal them. I will always speak in the highest terms of you goods.

Respectfully,
GUSSIE GRIFFTH,
4209 Friendship Avenue. Pittsburg, Pa.,

This is to let the public know that I have been using Madame Walker's treatment for the hair and have been highly pleased with the results. I began treatment in January when my hair measured only two inches in front. Now my hair mearsures five and a quarter inches in front and is growing so fast that I can fix it any way. I recommend it to every lady of pride; I feel that they will be satisfied after they have taken one treatment.

ANNA REBECCA SMITH,
2124 Heman St. Pittsburg, Pa

AUSTIN, Tex., July 2, 1907.—Mme. C. J. Walker: My Very Dear Friend—Your letter sent to me at Dallas was forwarded to me here. I was indeed glad to hear from you, as I had begun to wonder at your long silence. Your letter gave much pleasure. I was delighted to know that you were still meeting with success, both socially and financially, as I know you will wherever you go. Now, Madame Walker, on the evening of our June commencement Mrs. Knobe fixed my hair without the false braid or bangs, and my hair was the talk of the town: I am down here at Austin during my vacation, teaching in the School of Methods, and all the people who know me are just wild about my hair; they come from far and near to see it, and then they can't believe their own eyes; I have to take it down for them to let them see and feel it for themselves. I tell you, I am quite an advertisement here for your goods. I only wish you could see it for yourself; you would not believe it. I am, your devoted friend,

There are thousands of persons in the United States using my preparation, all of whom are being benefited in the same way, and there is nothing but words of praise for my goods coming from all sections of the country, from persons who have used them. The pictures in this pamplet will show the improvement in my hair after three years use.

When I made this discovery I had no idea of placing it upon the market, for the benefit of others; I was simply in search of something that would save or restore my own hair I was on the verge of becoming entirely bald. But after using it on my own scalp for a short while, I discovered a marked improvement, and then began trying it on the scalps of friends whose hair and scalps were in the same condition, and in every single case the result was surprisingly beyond my expectation.

After receiving such remarkable results I established a place for the care of scalps and the growing of hair, in order that those near and around me might be benefited by my wonderful discovery. After one years use on myself and others, I became so throughly convinced of its merits that I decided to travel an place it within the reach of the thousands whom I knew were in need of it: although I was discouraged in doing so by the many who were using my goods and treatments in Denver, Colorado. where I first established my method.

However I felt that God had given me this wonderful discovery not to withhold myself but that others should be benefited as well. Consequently I left Denver to place my goods on the market, and in reach of those who apreciate beautiful hair and healthy scalps, which is the glory of woman. During my travels I met with many discouragements, unfavorable criticism, etc, while trying to convince the skepticrl public

I had positively discovered a remedy for the growth of hair; however my pressisstency and by following the lead of God who gave it to me I have succeded in overcoming the many obstacles, and have established a lasting confidence in every community where my goods are sold, and with every person who has used and doubted its merits,

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4th Because it is continually doing the same thing for others, without a single complaint.

5th Because my hair was less than a finger's length when I began using it,

6th Beacuse my hair grew 16 inches in less than three years using it.

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8th Because it is positively the only remedy on the market that does not record a single failure to do all that it is recommended to do.

Dear Madame:—I received your Hair preparations and thought that I would write you a few lines to inform you of the good results that I am receiving by its use. Your great Hair Grower is rmarkable, and I do not feel that there is anything that I could say that would praise it highly enough. Mother and I both use it with most gratifying results; but we praise it most for the most pleasing results that my sister has received from them. We have used different preparations but it seemed as nothing would make any change until we began the use of your wonderful preparations, when her hair began immediately to grow.

I have used it exacIly as you instructed and her hair will soon be long enough to fix in any way.

Your Hair Grower is all that is claimed for it. I want to praise and recommend it very highly.

I am very respectly,
NINA BAKER,
1015 S. Trinity Street
Mexico, Mo..

Feb, 21st, 1909.

To the public:

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We therefore recommenp her method and Hair Grower to the very highest, so it is a discovery of her own, found after years of research.

Respectfully,
Rev. S. H. VANLUE,
MRS, J. H. VANLUE,

State Missionary of Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Walker:—

I know you think me very uugrateful in not writing you sooner, as I have received the order a week ago. Please excuse my long delay, for I was indeed glad to get the order, also the othei two ladies. to whom I took the goods. One lady was so delighted that she juat shouted. The other one was not at home, but I know she, too, was glad.

I don't know how to thank you for sending the goods for Mrs. Vinie Johnson told us you would not send it. She claims, she has learned ycur secret, and is making something. I don't know what she uses, everybody that knows is afraid even to let her treat them. I've not had my hair treated for nearly two months. I expect another order for you soon. Some more ladies want to throw in and let me order for them. I will leave for Mineral Sprinos about the 28th of next month.

My hair needs a washing so badly that I have to let you send me a treatment through the mail.

With best wishes.

ESTELLA JONES.

Dear Madame:—Having used a trial treatment of your Hair Grower last Spring, the results were so satisfactory, I concluded to send for other. I have never used any to equal it, I hope I will be able to keep it up this time and to gain other customers.

Respectfully,
MARY CHILDIESS,
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AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Georgians Tender First Reception to Recorder of Deeds.

The new $90,000 Science Hall for Howard University is rapidly approaching completion and the contractors have promised to turn the building over to the school authorities about May 15, six weeks ahead of the alotted time. The building is a handsome and imposing structure. It is 125 feet long and has a width of 65 feet. It is fireproof throughout. The basement, together with the three stories and attic, form a structure in keeping with the other buildings of the University, now and to come. The floors, columns, beams, girders and the floor and ceiling of the front portico are of reinforced concrete. All walls are of brick. The floors will have a cement finish, and the interior walls will be painted white. The front portico is of colonial design, with columns of ornamental terra cotta. The entrance steps are of blue limestone. On its completion Science Hall will add much to the beauty of the University grounds.

The $50,000 Carnegie Library of the University is to be dedicated on Monday, April 25. President Taft will deliver the principal address, and speeches will be made by Andrew Carnegie, the donor of the building; Mr. Herbert Putnam, Librarian of Congress, and by Ambassador James Bryce, of England. In the evening Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus, an old college friend of President Thirkield, will deliver his famous lecture on "The Lyrical Interpretation of Life," assisted by a specially selected quartet of singers.

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"The Georgians" were first in the field to tender a social function in honr of the newly appointed Recorder of Deeds, Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson—and it was in accord with the fitness of things that this should be so. The affair was an informal "stag," and tok place at the home of Mr. Thomas M. Dent and former Postmaster I. H. Loftin, 1311 T street N. W. After a delightful "conversazione," a toothsome buffet luncheon was served and some speechmaking in a happy vein was indulged in. Mr. Dent acted as toastmaster, and after stating the object which brought so many enthusiastic Georgians together at the festal board—to celebrate the appointment of a distinguished fellow statesman to a position of dignity and responsibility—he introduced in turn L. M. Hershaw, A. H. Matthews, Dr. J. A. McDuffie, T. Spencer Finley, T. A. Johnson, Prof. J. W. Gilbert, all of Georgia, and Mr. H. P. Slaughter of Kentucky, who delivered short and felicitous addresses, extolling the virtues of the guest of honor and wishing him Godspeed in the mission he was about to undertake.

Mr. Johnson's speech was the first he has made since his appointment and his utterances were, therefore, regarded as especially significant. Mr. Johnson stated, among other things, that the position of Recorder of Deeds had come to him absolutely iwthout solicitation on his part, that he had filed no endorsements for and office and sought not a single influence to advance his prospects. He said he should enter upon his duties without any feeling of elation, but with the firm determination to render the most efficient service of which he was capable. He made no personal references, gave not the slightest indication that he would take any notice of factionalism, and every note was pitched on a plane of high regard for every useful member of the community in which he must work for the next four years—at least.

For the conception and success of the entertainment Mr. T. A. Johnson was largely responsible. Besides those mentioned there were present: Drs. S. A. Ward and J. P. Turner, Frank Morrison, Patrick M. Mitchell, W. B. McLendon, Bonaparte Brown, Erastus Molen, Jacob Combs, J. G. Hutchins, S. W. Harris, S. W. Fuller, Mr. Perrin, Dr. F. P. Laney, Buck Thomas, Prof. W. J. Decatur, Prof. Damaeron, Captain Edwards, Mick Mitchell, Jack M. Ryan, Prof. Brown and W. K. Sykes.

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It can be asserted without fear of successful contradiction that between Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson and Dr. Booker T. Washington there exists an indissoluble friendship. Col. Johnson did not visit Tuskegee to solicit the endorsement of the "Wizard," and no one has intimated that he did. He went to Tuskegee Institute to see the place and pay his respects to a distinguished educator—just as hundreds of others, in politics and out—do every year. Had Col. Johnson needed or wished the approval of Dr. Washington for any honor that the influence of the Tuskegeean could have aided him in securing, such endorsement would have been promptly forthcoming. Of this there is not the slightest doubt. There is no suggestion of rivalry between these two strong forces for the "leadership" of the race, and if there are those who think there is profit for anybody in an effort to promote strife where none should and does not exist, the propaganda ought to be dropped at once. Col. Johnson and Dr. Washington will each do his work and the world will be the gainer by their cordial interchange of courtesies and combined energies wherever their lines of action converge.

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The appointment of the Hon. James L. Pugh as judge of the Police Court of the District of Columbia, gives eminent satisfaction to the bar of this community, colred and white joining in the acclaim which greeted the new jurist as he assumed the robes of office on Monday morning. The bench was literally covered with flowers from one end to the other, presented by attorneys, members of the police court staff and personal friends. Judge Pugh was presented to the massive audience by the senior member of the bench, Judge A. R. Mullowney, who in introducing him paid him a high tribute, both as a lawyer and a friend. Judge Pugh's advent was the signal for prolonged applause, and his address evoked hearty cheers and huzzas.

Attorney Thomas L. Jones, a leader at the District bar, was among the speakers called upon. He said in part:

"I have known Judge Pugh for fully seventeen of the nineteen years he has been connected with the police court of the District. A stronger or better equipped man could not have been chosen for the peculiar and often delicate duties that fall to the lot of an occupant of this bench in a variegated population like ours. Judge Pugh is a humanitarian; he knows how to temper justice with mercy; he understands that mankind has its weaknesses and frailities, which need due consideration when the unfortunate ones are haled before the bar. Especially does the poor and oftimes friendless Negro ned a friend at court in the hour of trouble. If there be worth in the apparently vicious Negro, Judge Pugh will give him credit for the spark, and by sympathy try to redeem him from the life of a confirmed criminal. He believes that punishment should be reformatory, and will not blind his eyes to truth in order to extort fines for the benefit of the public treasury, nor does he believe it right to fill the workhouse with Negroes because they cannot help themselves. He comes from the best blood of the South—the old land owners who are always the black man's best friends—and we, along with the other citizens of the District, are fortunate in having such a broard-gauged judge upon the bench of our police court."

Addresses in similar vein were made by other colored attorneys, among them Prof. W. H. H. Hart, of the faculty of the Howard University Law School, who recalled the fact that he and Judge Pugh were boys together down at the old home in Eufaula, Ala., and that his father and the judge's father were also boys together in the long ago in southeastern Alabama. He knew the Pugh family of old and was glad a scion of that noble blood was now on the bench of the court where the luckless Negro was oftenest found. Attorneys A. W. Scott, M. T. Clinkscales and John A. Moss also spoke.

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Speaking of the past of special agent of the General Land Office, to which Editor W. D. Johnson, of Kentucky, was recently appointed, Mr. L. M. Hershaw, in the "Outlook Department" of The Horizon, points out that Mr. Johnson is not the first Negro to hold the said office, and incidentally reads a lecture to that class of editors and correspondents who are always prating of the charm that hedges about being the first Negro to do this and the only Negro to do that—the point being that it does not lower the tone of an office because a Negro has filled it, nor does it make a Negro any better for being the first to occupy it. According to Mr. Hershaw the following colored men have been at one time or another carried on the rolls of the General Land Office as "special agents": Samuel Lee, of South Carolina; Richard R. Wright, of Georgia; George C. Smith, of Missouri; William A. Pledger, of Georgia; A. A. Garner, of Alabama; C. H. Tandy, of Missouri, and Robert A. Pelham, of Michigan.

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The bills creating the Exposition Commission and providing for the reimbursement of the Freedmen's Bank depositors have been favorably reported to the House.

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The annual banquet of the class of 1912 of Howard Law School was a gala occasion. Judge Robert H. Terrell, of the Law Schol faculty, was the guest of honor. Twelve of the students responded to toasts, with W. H. Burrell as toastmaster. Judge R. H. Terrell, Dr. W. V. Tunnell and Prof. W. H. H. Hart, for the visitors, delivered taking addresses. The affair was held at Martin's and the committee in charge was made up of E. H. Lawson, O. C. Granady, Arthur J. Turner, Benjamin T. Montgomery and Horace G. Anderson.

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VALDOSTA, GA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Alfred B. Dockett has returned to the city, after having spent his second term in Meharry Medical College, at Nashville, Tenn. Mr. Dockett reports much success in his second term....The great revival is still in session at Antioch Baptist Church. Since it began fifty-four candidates have joined....Mr. Abie Bowen spent Easter Sunday and the two days following visiting friends in Brunswick.... Mr. John A. Purdie spent Easter Sunday in Moultrie visiting friends. He reports a good time....A bunch of Quitmanites came over on Easter Sunday and remained until Wednesday morning....Two hot baseball games were played between the Quitmanites and Valdostans, but behold the Valdostans landed on 'em good and heavy in both games....We are glad to see Mr. Eddie Brown up again after having been confined to his bed for about four weeks....Mr. Sam Wade has been confined to his bed for three or four weeks, but we are glad to know that he is improving rapidly....The members of Prof. Eph Williams' Troubadours were shocked very much with the news of the death of their star comedian, Ulysses H. Simmons, alias "Silas Green from New Orleans," which occurred in this city on Thursday, March 31. He had been suffering with pneumonia for two or three weeks, but when they reached this city about two weeks ago they were compelled to leave him in this city in care of the physicians....Undertaker A. B. Walton sent the remains to his family in Eustis, Fla., where they will be buried....Dr. I. S. Stafford has recently purchased a doctor's cut-under Stanhope buggy, with a Victoria top. It is one of the prettiest in the city. It was made by C. R. Patterson & Son, the well-known manufacturers, of Greenfield, Ohio.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Second Baptist church is progressing nicely and had an excellent Easter program....The program at the Bethel A. M. E. church, under the direction of Mrs. Nellie Washington, March 27, was largely attended. The collection for the day amounted to $27.50....Word was received from relatives that Mrs. Thomas Flood, of Kansas City, Mo., is seriously ill. Her friends hope for her a speedy recovery....Mrs. Wilson, of Seguine, Tex., left recently, after a pleasant visit with her sister and friends....Mrs. Pauline Moore, of S. Fayette street, is slowly improving from her illness....Mrs. Morrison, mother of Mr. William Morrison, of Springfield, Ill., left recently, after a pleasant visit with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Mattie Morrison....Mr. Elijah Hyatt, of 611 S. West street, has had his house raised and several improvements are being made; and it looks very nice....The musical given on March 30, at the residence of Mrs. Jenkins, was largely attended and was a success....Helen Jones, who has been very ill, is slowly improving at present....Mrs. Kate E. Wright, of Springfield, Ill., is in the city visiting with friends....Mr. Westly Reed is now in Oklahoma....Mr. Carl Hill, of S. Church street, who has a very sore hand, is getting along nicely....Mr. M. Thomas and Mr. Charley Tinsley are still very ill.... Mrs. C. Tinsley continues to improve.... The military ball given recently at Co. L hall was largely attended, and a complete success....A very pleasant surprise was given recently in honor of Mrs. Sallie Williams at her home on Sharp street. She has gone to California to live....Mrs. Lynch is now residing on Wanna street. ....Mrs. Samuel Rhodes is now living on S. West street, at her new home....Mrs. Minnie Glass is now residing on W. Edmond street....Miss Myrtle Charmon, of Hannibal, Mo., is in the city to reside, and is stopping at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, 915 N. Diamond street.... There will be a recital given for the promotion of literature and music April 14 by Mr. W. Thomas and Hattie L. Johnson.

ADDISTON, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

THE FREEMAN agent has secured the services of the adjoining room to Cyrus Hawkins' barber shop for the purpose of handling THE FREEMAN every Saturday. ....Mr. Cliord Chatman and Miss Ruth Anderson, of Cincinnati, were the guests of Mr. Clarence Foster, Sunday....The opening dance of the season, given by Clinton Gaines at the S. H. Pillon hall, was well attended, and much of a success. ....Mr. and Mrs. Mack Lucas entertained Sunday at dinner, Rev. S. D. Saunders. ....The Music Study Club, which is composed of boys ranging from 10 to 16, held an interesting meeting Monday evening. Several new members were enrolled and a manager chosen. The object of the organization is to promote the interest of music and the consideration of a Boys' Brass Band....Rehearsals for the first annual concert and May festival have bebun....The program at the Dunbar Literary Society was well rendered Wednesday evening. Short addresses, poems, solos and essays were the main features. The enrollment is increasing rapidly, and much interest is being taken. N. C. Hawkins, president; W. Kilgore, secretary, and W. Williams, treasurer....Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor, of 1735 Rickey street, Covington, Ky., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson Sunday....Mrs. M. E. Payne is confined to her home on account of illness....The debate at the Second Baptist church was won by the affirmative side: W. H. Brannon, James Robinson, Rep the Soldier, Jessie Clayton, W. Kilgore, Rep the Captain. Points 8 and 9.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Miss Susie F. Taylor, of Philadelphia, Pa., spent the Easter holidays at the shore as the guest of Mrs. Archie B. Younger, 1927 Arctic avenue. Miss Taylor returns home much benefited by the trip and with many pleasant memories of the Eastertide spent in the city by the sea....Mr. Leonard Jackson, son of the peerless leader of the First Ward Protective Association, has been appointed by Supervisor Benner to take the census of our city. We, the colored citizens, are not only proud to see a member of the race in such a position, but also proud to have a leader that can present the right people for such positions and then see that they land the prizes. The First Ward Protective Association is a body of strong men banded together for the political rights of its members, and Mr. Jackson, the leader, can point with pride to the local post-office, police force, street cleaning department, and other places under the municipal government filled by members of this association....Rev. W. H. Batchelor, one of Zion's former pastors, but now of Goodwin Street A. M. E. Zion church, Paterson, N. J., writes us of the grand financial success of his annual fair which ran only seven days and netted the church $615.34, after all expenses were paid. This goodly sum in such a short time far excels any undertaking of its kind in the history of the church.

BONHAM, TEX.

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There will be a moonlight picnic on the public school grounds the 8th and 9th, given for the benefit of the school....The Alexander Hotel waiters, cooks and barbers met at Yarbrough's barber shop on Wednesday night to organize a club to be known as the Golden Circle. James Bailey was elected president; H. Christian, vice-president; L. Bennitt, treasurer; D. Yarbrough, secretary. Mr. F. Ward made a good talk in behalf of the club.

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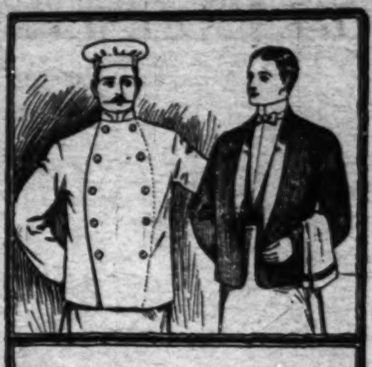

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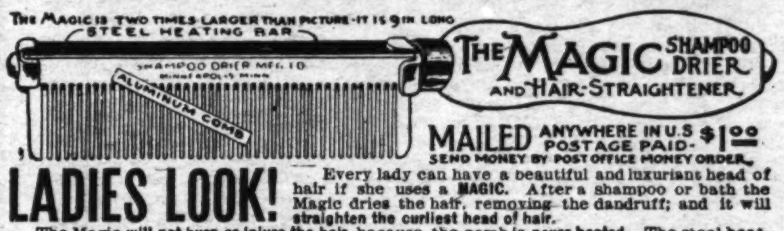

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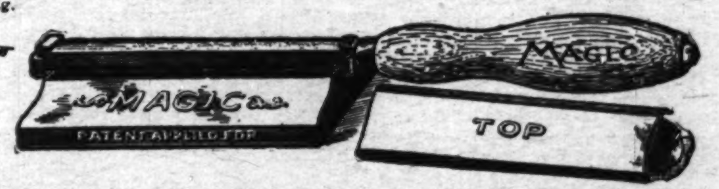

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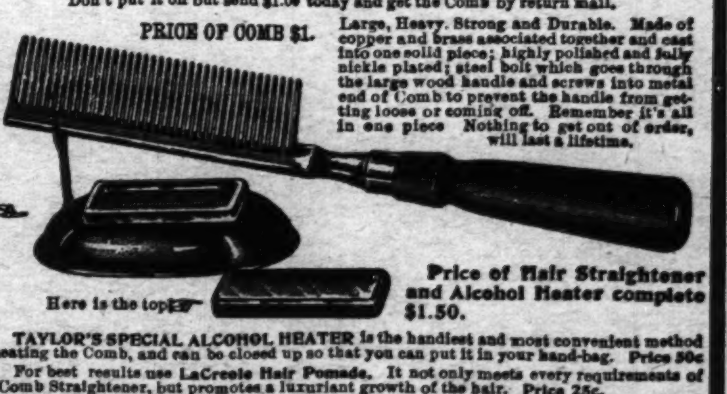

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PROF. EDWARD MEYER'S VISIT TO TUSKEGEE.

The Tuskegee Student, published at Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, publishes in a recent issue the following report of a visit to Tuskegee Institute by Prof. Edward Meyer, of Berlin, German exchange professor at Harvard University, who has been making a tour of the South studying industrial and educational conditions:

His itinerary was arranged so as to include the Tuskegee Institute, of whose work he was advised, and which he desired to personally inspect. His visit to Tuskegee was made the occasion of considerable moment. Professor Meyer spoke to the students and teachers at some length, and inspected most of the academic and industrial departments.

In talking to the students and teachers, he said:

"The reason I wanted to see Tuskegee Institute more than any other place in this country is on account of tehwork which has been done and is being done here. Though a great many difficulties came in my way, I have tried to be here at least with you for a few hours. I wanted to see the work of the man who has shown what your race can do when it is led in the proper way; it has made the name of Booker Washington famous all over the world, and very few men in this continent are so much admired and looked up to as he, and for that reason I wanted to see what he had done.

"I came here, of course with great expectations, because I had heard much of Tuskegee, and I can only say that what I have seen goes beyond everything I had expected. Here, out of a small beginning, this great, large and flourishing institution has been founded, and the way in which this institution is carried on must impress anybody, wherever he comes from, and I am convinced that this work and what has been created here will in the future show Mr. Washington's great influence upon the progress of civilization throughout this country."

Praise from so important a source as this is most pleasing. It shows that the work being done at Tuskegee Institute is not only national in scope, but international, and when such persons as Professor Meyer, reputed to be "the greatest living historian," can pay tribute to the work of a black man, all of the race should feel proud and uplifted.

Mayor Baehr-Maschke announced last week that all the appointments under the new Republican city administration had at last been given out. In view of this fact, it is pertinent to again call attention to the fact that the lone Afro-American promised a clerkship in January has never been given it, and that to date the jobs parceled out to the "loyal" Afro-Americans of this community are all beneath the clerkship grade, and consist mainly of a few janitorships, closet, garbage and meter inspectors, one box-heaver, a messenger or two, laborers, and the like. We called the attention of our readers and exchanges to the above facts repeatedly weeks ago, and do so again at this time in the interest of fairness and truth. Our people at home and abroad shall not be misled by a few truckling "jimcrow" Negro curbstone politicians who seem capable of stooping to almost anything in a dsigusting effort to cater to their cheap and prejudiced "white" political bosses who have secured to them petty jobs beneath the clerkship grade. The "jimcrow" Negro is indeed the bane of the race.—The Gazette, Cleveland, O.

Indianapolis's new Republican municipal administration, in its conduct toward the Negro, is almost an exact parallel to the Cleveland, O., administration, and the "jimcrow, lick-spidling, hat-in-hand, Please-Marser Negro" is the cause of it all, but it was ever thus. The Columbus, O., administration is way ahead in justice and fair play to the Negro citizen, but we will not despair, as we expect to be "happy yet, you bet."

UNDER THE FLASH LIGHT.

By the Associate Editor.

The Indianapolis Freeman, one of the best Negro journals on earth, had some lively suggestions in its issue of the 26th to the quill-drivers—and other molder of public sentiment.

Let the students of history, men and women of erudition and training, hasten to take the timely suggestions as a God-sent blessing. We shall certainly come to the subject again in a subsequent issue. Many thanks to the Freeman editor for this kind of food for thought.—The Columbian.

We thank the Columbian for its compliments, and wish it much profit in the consideration of those vital and ethical questions that are of infinite worth to the races of mankind and in a special sense to the Negro. We hope other contemporaries will enter the arena of discussion of them. We shall keep our eye on the Columbian.

RACE GLEANINGS.

Not all the prejudice from which we as a race suffer and pray deliverance is born of the white man's meanness. The Negro is heavy laden with vices of himself. Ignorance, malice, envy and jealousy have created a wide division in our own ranks that has divided our strength.—Galveston, Tex., New Idea.

First Colored Jury In Ohio.

DAYTON, O., Feb. 22.—The question of "When does a pig become a hog?" will be settled by a jury composed exclusively of ex-slaves, the first in Ohio, when Magistrate Brinkel hears the case of Benjamin Powell against Francis Eger. Powell become the owner of a baby pig, and was too busy to attend to it. He turned it over to a woman neighbor for the pig's board and keep. One-half was to go to her pork barrel at butchering time. However, before "killing time," the pig was turned over to a third party, who found the job too heavy, and, in turn, gave it to his neighbor. Now it is ready for the axe. Most of the parties interested in the litigation over the pig are colored. Powell claims the animal is still a pig.

GEORGIA NEGROES REDUCED TO SERFS

Cannot Be Soldiers, and Secret Order Rights Taken Away.

ATLANTA, Ga., February 25.—The Supreme Court of Georgia has killed our order in this State, and we are restrained from using either symbol or sign or uniform of any order. United States soldiers are only allowed to wear their uniforms forty-eight hours, if colored men, while in the State off duty.—The Defender.

KEEP A COLORED MAN IN THE LEGISLATURE.

The death knell for the advance of the Negro has been sounded by the Southern society ('white') who have formed a perpetual organization to work for the overthrow of the Negroes in Illinois. During the last legislature eight bills were presented which has for its object the separation of the races in the State, but it happened that our own Dr. Lane was sentinel for his people and gave the warning shot which routed the Southern rebels. When this was told to a repotrer he called on the doctor to see if the statements were true, and he said in part: "Well, I have nothing much to say, but you can tell the Negroes of Chicago and the State that if they do not keep a man of their own race in Springfield they will ever regret it. We wonder if you are going to lapse into barbarism or we wonder if you will fight for your rights, as did the Irish in the House of Commons. The rising and unborn generations demand your stand, and if you do not they, like our forefathers, will be reduced to slavery."—Defender, Chicago.

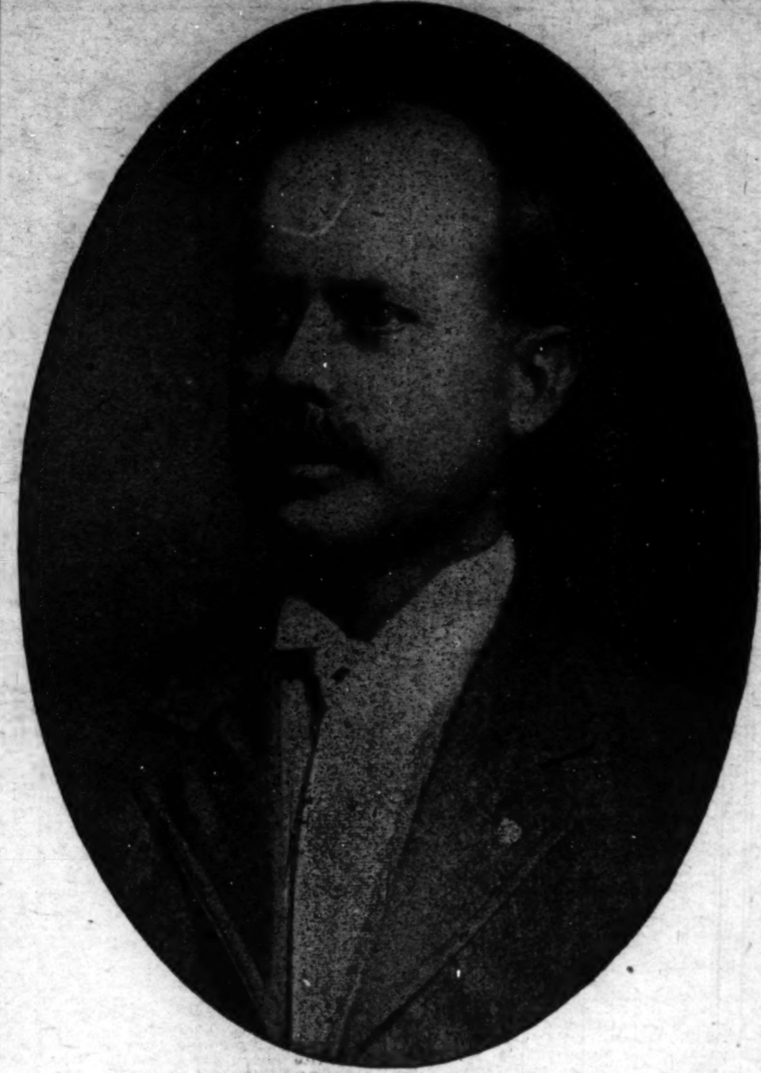
We concur in the sentiment above uttered and reprint it because of the significant applicant to Indiana Negroes. Get busy and elect a Negro legislator. It can be done. The Freeman says, Amen.

HIS TRIUMPH.

Dr. James E. Shepard was triumphantly received in Stubenville, Ohio, last week. The tribute that he received, from the leading of the church and city was an evidence of the esteem in which he is held. When it was announced that he would return again, after his great speech, the applause was deafening. Dr. Shepard is indeed the coming new colored American from the South.—The Bee.

WHITE MINISTERS OF CAIRO, ILL., DEFEND COLORED CITIZENS AND DENOUNCE MOB VIOLENCE.

The Rev. James Gillen, pastor of St. James' Catholic Church, while speaking on the subject of mob violence, declared that if one hundred good white men believed that they have the right to take human life for a given cause, soon one hundred bad white or Negro men would assent to same privilege. Lynching, he said, was murder. "Thou shalt not kill." Referring to the Negro population in Cairo, he claimed to know them personally as upright, industrious citizens, who deserved the good will of every one. As there are good and bad among all races, the Negro race was only guilty of its portion, so there was no reason that all should be attacked when one commits a misdemeanor or crime.—The Illinois Idea.



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The Richmond Planet is noted for a number of things, among which are its lengthy editorials. Perhaps the Planet is the only colored paper which comes to our office each week with a double column editorial that is interesting enough to be read through. Editir Mitchell discusses very thoroughly and pointedly the Negro's industrial situation, beginning and ending with a quotation from Shakespeare.

The National Baptist Review wants to know, "What of the future?" And perhaps it is right. It is well enough to congratulate ourselves upon the past, but he who is satisfied with the past is of little use in our general upward progress.

Editor Christopher J. Perry of the Tribune, in company with Mr. P. J. Smith of Boston, visited our office for a few minutes.

Of the greatest interest to the Negro press will be the forthcoming "Autobiography of Geo. L. Knox." It is said of the genial editor of The Freeman that he is "all Knox, he never knocks."—From the Christian Recorder.

NEGRO COMMON SENSE.

The best friend of the Negro race is not the man who prates abstractly about prejudices and social equality, but the man who presents a constructive plan for the industrial and social evolution of the race that through toil and tribulation is coming "up from slavery," and in spite of lapses and discouraging setbacks is steadily achieving higher standards of morality, economy and intelligence. Booker Washington at Tuskegee institute is not satisfied merely to inculcate the theory of "virtuous energizing." He has his thousands of students learn to do something practical, something that has a market value because it is useful to the world at large.—Philadelphia Ledger.

COLORED BOY A WONDER AT 100 YARDS RUN

James Ravenell of Brooklyn Makes Fastest Run in History of High School Meet.

James Ravenell, the Afro-American lad who took part in the 100-yard dash at the Poly meet of the High School of Commerce in Brooklyn recently, crossed the tape a winner, making the fastest run ever recorded in the history of the high school boys' meet. eH is regarded as the future world's 100-yard champion runner.—N. C. W. Advocate.

MRS. TERRELL LECTURES

Will Be Published in England by a London Firm.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell lectured in New Haven, Conn., recently on "The Bright Side of a Dark Question." She was heartily received.

BOOKER T.'S BOOK.

"The Story of the Negro," by Booker T. Washington, the distinguished American Negro, giving a comprehensive and admirably written narrative of the history of his race, will be published in London by Mr. Uniwin sortly—The Afro-American Ledger.

FEAR OF AEROPLANES.

When Zeppelin III made the flight from Dusseldorf to Essen, it was observed that horses and cattle ran wildly about the meadows as it approached and sheep crowded with loud bleating around their shepherd. From these facts Count Zeppelin concludes that the employment of airships of whatever type will have a disastrous effect on furred and feathered game. All animals show fear at their approach. Partridges, quail and other game birds cower and hide themselves and domestic cocks utter warning crows as if they perceived some gigantic bird of prey. Van Houken, the Swedish aeronaut, when at a moderate height, watched elk, foxes, hares and other animals take to flight and dogs rushed howling into the houses.—Deutsche Jager-Zeitung.

John Temple Graves says the South must abjure political narrowness and traditions and fall in line with the marching world. He contends that the South will never be what it might until such is done. Mr. Graves is the man to do that talking, for he speaks "as one having authority, and not as the scribes."—The Baptist Vanguard.

Rev. D. Webster Davis, of Richmond, Va., seems to have the call so far for the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church. It will be some time before the successor to Rev. Geo. W. Lee is named. Should Webster Davis succeed, he can hold the congregation, for as a pulpit orator he is a topnotcher.

Judge R. H. Terrell, of the municipal bench, has been elected lecturer of the law department of Howard University, succeeding W. H. Richards, Esq.—The East Tennessee News.

Read our great Premium offer on the fourth page.

PURCHASED RARE HERD OF CATTLE.

GALLATIN, Tenn., April 8.—At the Fletcher sale this week of blooded cattle Mr. James C. Napier, the Nashville banker and lawyer, purchased a fine lot of Kerry cattle, beating out a number of spirited bidders. It is worthy of note that there are only three herds of this breed of cattle in the United States.

COL. THOMPSON AS A "PHRASEMAKER."

Col. R. W. Thompson, the energetic president of the National Negro Press Association, is not only a ready and brilliant writer, but is a "phrasemaker" with a rare faculty for coining appellations that stick to whomsoever they are applied. Mr. Thompson is credited with having originated the sobriquet of "The Wizard of Tuskegee," a title that will ever sling to Dr. Booker T. Washington; "Everybody's Register of Everybody's Treasury," a term by which the friends of Dr. W. T. Vernon best know him in the public prints, and "The Black Cabinet," which is known to embrace the high-salaried officeholders at Washington—Recorder Dancy, Register Vernon, Judge Terrell, Auditor Tyler and their immediate supporters and administration allies.—Richmond Reformer.

J. D. HOWARD, ADVERTISING MANAGER OF THE FREEMAN.

Has just returned from the Southeast after a most successful business trip in the interest of THE FREEMAN. Mr. Howard starts this week on an extensive campaign through the Southwest, opening his engagement at St. Louis and closing either at Phoenix, Ariz., or Guthrie, Okla. Mr. Howard extends his most heartfelt thanks and sincere gratitude for the courtesies shown him by the many friends he made in the Southeast on his last trip through Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia.

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Sometime soon when you feel like independently helping the Negro people direct—as a people—give a gift voluntarily to the above-named divine Negro National College of Glory—newly established independently by the Negro people, under the leadership of Archbishop Justus J. Evans, D. G., founder of the True Light Army (The Church of Glory), main building corner Highland and Dorr streets, Boston, Mass.

N. B. In order to prove itself to be a supreme efficient educator and qualifier of the Negro people, this college of Glory means to be faultless, or to be the best independent educator, trainer and instructor for the Negro people as a race ever established in the history of the world—with branches to it in other cities—it means to serve as a pure, divine, royal Negro national, directory College of Glory, fairly and truly teaching, training and directing the Negro people on all important matters of life, showing them in detail the better things and the main ways of true success, making plain unto them how to attain to and enter into the right leadings of eternal success, founded on the main industrial principles of true godliness, and is now having a grand rally in order to raise immediately $200,000 for the special Boston new buildings of this College of Glory, and welcomes independent help from unprejudiced and unsuperstitious personal sympathizers everywhere. Archbishop Evans, the founder, possesses the God-given authority to show his people and educate them on the main line of true success for their prosperity, peace and safety as a people, and is sending a book of great instructions to each contributor of his race that sends a volunteered contribution to him for this College of Glory, and he also welcomes a copy of the same book to any friend on the same conditions if they desire it to see what is in it. All contributions to this college must be made to the founder unconditionally, in order to be accepted. Office, 74 Highland street, Boston, Mass. Rev. A. F. Bower, secretary. SWS. ap2

P. S. In addition to special contributions given to me by personal sympathizers for this College of Glory, by the help of Almighty God and my many friends, I am going to find twenty thousand people in this nation and in the Negro race who want to be a substantial help, graciously, to the Negro race as a people, that will give at least one dollar each every month, or twelve dollars each every year to this College of Glory for a period of ten consecutive years. I say, let 20,000 willing people give this amount each and it will be $20,000 per month given by them each month, or $240,000 per year, given by the 20,000 contributors for a period of ten years. If 20,000 persons will give this amount each year for ten years it will bring about everlasting good results for the Negro people of America, and they will prove to be the most blessed, united, substantial helpers of the Negro people the world has ever known, as there is nothing so proficient and glorious for the uplifting and properly training of the Negro race as this College of Glory will prove to be henceforth and forever, for it is a genuine Godsend for the salvation of these people as a race. Mark my words. Let me see now who that 20,000 people will be, for they will be glorious in the eyes of God. Archbishop Justus J. Evans, D. G., Founder.

WILLIAM McPHAIL.

William McPhail is one of the most prosperous business men in Carthage, Mo. He is manager of the Rambler Baseball Club and well known throughout the country as a business man of no mean ability. He is the organizer of the band, and stands high in church and lodge circles. He is an ardent admirer of the great American game, and is lending every effort to make the Ramblers world beaters. Mr. McPhail has secured several players of ability. Their first game was played April 3 at the fair grounds.

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FOR AUDITOR
of Marion County
Wm. T. Patten
Subject to the Democratic Nominating Primary,
April 26, 1910.

THE STAGE

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AN ODE TO THE WHITNEY MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY.

(By J. J. Weaver, a Member of the company.)

When the curtain of fame shall rise,
Hoisted by good fortune's hand,
In the midst of prosperity's cries,
Then let all who've made the stand
Note the steps of the bye-and-byes—
Each leading to life's opera grand.
Your turn has come. Awake!

May all who've felt the pinch of need
Unite and strive for better days.
Seek the best in word and deed,
Irrespective of the past—the haze.
Come what may, let's all take heed,
And in future have no delays,
Lest we forget what's at stake.

Cast off the burden of the fruitless past,
On to the field •f venture and strife,
Mid 'roarious storms or applause vast,
E'en though the time may not be rife.
Droop not your heads; hear the bugle's blast?
Droop not your heads; hear the bugle's blas
Your goal in front is the sign of life.

Come, arise, be up and gone;
O'er the footlights there's a mighty throng.
My, the gallery is packed, o'erflown;
Pit, parquet and balcony as strong.
And listen, someone shouts, "All on!"
Now's the time for mirth and song.
Your night speeds on; soon day will break.

The Mozart Club gave a musicale April 7 and P. G. Lowery rendered a few cornet solos.

The Juggling Princes are a big hit this week at the Casino Garden Theater, Chicago, Ill.

The Hallbacks are playing the week of April 11 at the Bates Opera House, Attleboro, Mass.

Pearl Moppin, hoop roller and trombonist, is spending a few weeks at home in Lexington, Miss.

H. A. Morgan, of the Wallace-Hagenbeck Circus, was in the city Sunday, the guest of friends.

Cole and Johnson, presenting the "Red Moon," will close their season at Lyceum Theater, Washington, D. C., May .

Harry a Brown desires to hear from Juli Jones, Jr., through the columns of The Freeman, the originator of cake-walking.

Wm. Benbow's Alabama Chocolate Drops closed a successful three months' run at the Eldorado Theater, Pensacola, Fla., and open on the 18th at the People's Theater, Houston, Tex.

P. G. Lowery spent a few days in Wichita, Kas., the guest of Mrs. Lucy Anderson of 727 North Wichita street. Mrs. Anderson is an accomplished musician, possessing an excellently cultured voice. He was also royally entertained by Dr. J. E. Farmer, one of the most prominent physicians of the city.

Mr. T. L. Corwell, manager of the Whitney Musical Comedy Company, and Henry Watterson, musical director of the same company, were calling at The Freeman office Wednesday. They were here on business, returning to Alexandria Wednesday evening, where they met the company, which is playing at Anderson today.

The Hendersons opened on the Edw. J. Fisher line April 3 at Oregon City, Ore., in the Grand Theater. The act was a scream. They send regards to all friends. They met Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hughes in Portland at 10 1-2 North Fourteenth street, who gave them a dinner with chicken and apple dumplings. The Hendersons open the Boise, Idaho, Orpheum Theater April 11th.

Clever Billy Young and Buster McDonald opened at the Crystal Theater, Norfolk, Neb., April 4, and split the week with the Majestic Theater, South Omaha, finishing both successful engagements Sunday night, April 10. Buster has a silver tenor as clever and sweet as the tinkle of a tiny bell, and his black-face comedy is gaining friends and popularity with every engagement. They open at Blair, Neb., with Beatrice and Grand Island to follow. They are hanging their banner on the outer walls and crying, "Still we come."

SLIM MASON WITH SELLS-FLOTO.

Slim Elvis Mason, late of Lowery-Morgan Minstrels, after a few weeks' stay with his mother, Sarah Foster, at Louisville, Ky., has joined the Sells-Floto Show and is touring the West with them. The show opens today in Albuquerque, N. M. He sends regards to P. G. Lowery and bunch; also best wishes to Prof. R. Roy Pope and friends.

FIDDLER AND SHELTON WILL GO TO LONDON.

Messrs. Fiddler & Shelton, the big vaudeville card, are now preparing for their trip abroad. It is their intention to go to London, England, after they have completed a few weeks' time in this country, and will return in September.

WARM WELCOME TO J. W. HAMILTON.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hamilton, of the team of Hamilton & Trice, were highly entertained one their arrival from Memphis, Tenn., Monday afternoon and night by a host of old-time friends. The party was entertained at whist. The guests were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Poston, Madame E. Wise, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trice, Miss C. Glocom, John Trice and Master Perry Rollins. Mr. Hamilton is at home for a few weeks' vacation and then he will return to Memphis, Tenn., to finish his twenty weeks. He sends regards to A. G. Allen's Minstrels.

NOTES FROM FRANK ELLSWORTH'S SHOW.

HOUSTON, Tex.—Miss Lulu Baker is making good in her buck and wing dancing. Also Mr. Philip Cary is taking the house by storm by singing "Mr. George Washington." Little Baby Mack is cleaning up singing "That's a Plenty." Mrs. Jimmie Oliver is doing fine singing and dancing.

Mrs. Georgie Ross sends regards to Prof. Brooks.

Regards to Prof. P. G. Lowery, A. D. Allen's bunch and the Ohio Minstrel.

PARADISE THEATER OPENS TO BIG CROWDS.

George Freeman Makes a Great Hit as Head of Bill.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 14.—The Paradise Theater opened Tuesday, April 5, to a S. R. O. house. George Freeman, the comedian of cleverness, and his picks head the bill. He is also assisted by Miss Idella Redman, the entertaining little coon shouter, and Walter Miller, a comedian of class. Taylor and Taylor is another team of prominence that is pleasing everybody. There are several other performers of note that are getting the hands.

Mr. George Freeman, who is stage manager, would be glad to hear from good performers at all times.

Bradford and Bradford, why don't you write?

THE PROFESSION IN AUSTRALIA.

Wise and Milton Doing Well in Australia and New Zealand.

SYDNEY, Australia, March 31.—We are now touring Australia over the Brennan National Circuit and we are now in our twelfth week. As a special headline attraction we are booked for twenty-six weeks in this country and New Zealand, and so far we have proved to be a riot on every bill we have played—Melbourne, Adelaide and Sydney. We will be in New Zealand by the time this reaches you to play twelve weeks. We expect to open on the William Morris Circuit in January, 1911, in San Francisco. Regards to all Chicago and New York friends. Rance Smith is going big over here. I booked him single on this circuit. Pope and Sayles are making good. Clarence Tisdale is singing better every day of his life and has taken poor Wallace King's place in the Rickard Company. Tell Tom Brown to write.

We are yours, the globe trotters,
WISE & MILTON.
Care Fuller's Opera House, Auckland, N. Z.

FAMOUS THEATER, ATLANTA, GA.

The team of Porter and Rasselle is still taking curtains nightly. Mr. Porter has made many friends in Atlanta with his baritone voice. He is the stage director and is putting on what the public wants. Mr. Lester McDonnell is making all comedians hide. Miss Lulo Butts, Nellie Nelson, Jessie Helton are still with us, and everybody is happy.

Effie Means is still holding her own, making a great hit with her blackface comedy singing, "I Might Be Somebody Some Day," and "Honey Boy," and receives several encores every night. She sends regards to Sam Davis and Joe Brown. Say, Joe, write, care Freeman.

Millie Williams is making a great hit singing "Funny Face" and "Yiedishe Rag," taking three and four encores nightly, and always has a pleasant smile on and off the stage. She sends her regards to Sam Davis, John Williams, J. C. Haywood and the bunch at the Pastime Theater, Athens, Georgia.

PEKIN THEATER, SAVANNAH, GA.

Tim Owsley Makes Big Hit with Audiences.

W. J. Stiles, manager and owner of the Pekin, Savannah, Ga., offered to his audience for their approval the one and only Tim Owsley, "comedian of color," author and producer, in his own original creation of songs and monologues. Judging from the amount of applause Mr. Owsley received after each song and joke from the Pekin audience, he is far above the average comedian seen in this part of the U. S. A. The rendition of his original comic songs called for not one but a full dozen encores. One would judge from the applause that follows his exits, making him return to give them more of his wit and humor, that he is the best comedian the South has ever seen or heard, as his work is clean and up-to-date, overruling that low, crude comedy that the audiences of the average colored theater have been in the habit of receiving. He is assisted by Jennings and Jennings, a very pleasing team.

Watts and Johnson are a clever team. The musical end of the show is conducted by Prof. Johnny Haywood, one of the best colored violinists and leaders in the business. Mr. Haywood's orchestra surpasses any that the Pekin has ever had, and the manager shows good judgment in keeping Mr. Haywood. We hope that Manager Stiles will continue to give us more classy, up-to-date shows, as they are educational as well as amusing.

NEW HAVEN HAS "THE RED MOON"

Cole and Johnson, with Their Melodious Chorus, Appeal Strongly to the College Students.

In the issue of April 10 of the New York Telegram, a theatrical journal that is inclined to be somewhat prejudiced at times, the following appeared

NEW HAVEN, April 9.—There was a gay crowd, with plenty of color, at the Grand Opera House on April 4. For why? Because Cole & Johnson, colored comedians with their colored company, were there in "The Red Moon." The tuneful and graceful chorus danced and sang with a finish that would make the paleface chorus of other musical comedies turn still paler with envy. It is well known that some of the most melodious voices are possessed by our colored brethren. No one who saw "The Red Moon" would fail to vouch for this truth. The house was crowded, and Cole and Johnson received more applause than has resounded in a New Haven theater for many a moon—red or otherwise.

Two dark-complexioned gentlemen were discussing the comic opera in the elevator of the Gamble-Desmond building.

Said gentleman No. 1: "Did yo' see 'The Red Moon' at the Grand Monday?"

Gentleman No. 2: "Yas, suh. Ah suttinly did, and it sho' was great, too."

Gentleman No. 1: "Well, now, they had the best chorus in that play that Ah've seen in a long while, and Ah guess Ah've seen about all the fust-class comic operas a-goin'."

No. 2 was unprejudiced.

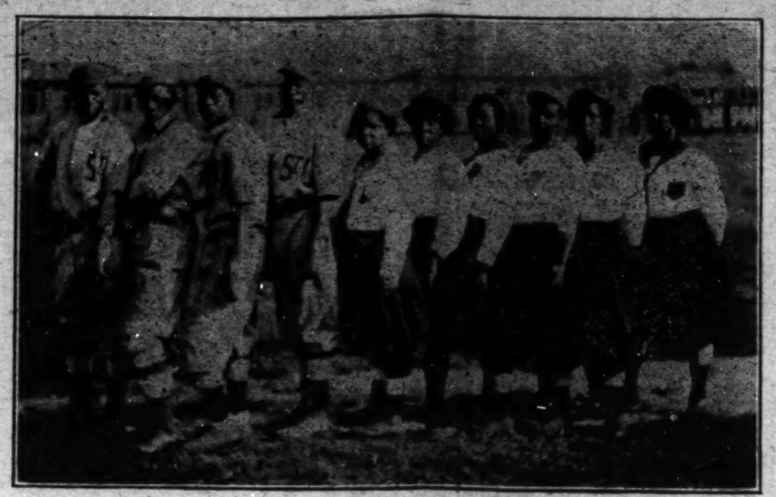
When you have the unsubsidized statement of two such authorities what further need of words?

MOSS AND FRY ARE SUCCESSFUL

In Making a Big Hit at the Family Theater.

You see a man walk through the door of a show,
Where great throngs are blocked by the sign, "S. R. O."
"Is this an the star, that no ticket he buys?"
"Star nothin'! He's one of those newspaper guys."

So I pushed my way in the Family Theater in Kentucky avenue, this city, where I saw one of the best colored teams that ever appeared on a vaudeville stage in this city. On looking on my program I was surprised at noting that it was Moss and Frye. The moment they appeared on the stage they got the hands, and the applause was continuous. The straight work of Mr. Moss was exceedingly clever in many instances, and he might be even more effective if he would give the low comedian a chance to answer him so in a way that the audience might understand him plainly. He has a voice of sweetness that electrifies everyone under its sound. We do not believe that Indianapolis playgoers have ever heard a voice in vaudeville that equals it for pure melody. But the surprise comes to us in abundance when we remember how we laughed at the real comedy work that we found in every way original with Frye. Frye is a good comedian because he is natural and very odd from others of the genuine class. He is a talented, droll comedian, who has originated much that is new which gets the applause. Even though he be very clever in his expressions, he seems to have found it also necessary that it is worth while to say things that are fresh and new and budding with plenty of wit and humor. Frye is a former member of Bland & Frye. However, Moss & Frye have an act that pleases the people who attend theaters, regularly and otherwise, and this week they are packing them to the doors and making everybody glad. O. D. M.



THE ST. LOUIS BLACK BRONCHO BASEBALL CLUB.
The Only Colored Female Baseball Club in the World To-Day.

ST. LOUIS FEMALE BASEBALL CLUB PLAYS.

Women Getting Into Shape for a Good Season of Ball.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 14.—The St. Louis Black Broncho Female Baseball Club played with the East St. Louis Imperials last Sunday, losing by a score of 6 to 4. The base running of Lilly and Bess was wonderful. Nellie, who played first, is a star. She can throw to third like a man and also pick them up off the ground in great style. The manager, Mr. Conrad Knebler, permanent address 3133 North Broadway, St. Louis, Mo., wishes to hear from Memphis, Paducah, Cairo and all towns in that locality. This club should prove a very strong attraction, as everybody will consider it quite a novelty to see a woman's baseball game.

JACKSONVILLE THEATRICAL NOTES.

The city of Jacksonville has the resemblance of Chicago or New York from a theatrical standpoint. The Airdome Theater, the Globe Theater, the Palace Theater and the Lincoln Park, all playing colored talent, and the hard, hard, critical amusement seeker is hard to please, therefore the dierent managers must be sure he is getting a performer before he opens in his theater. Not saying that you must be a Bert Williams as a comedian, or a Lloyd Gibbs or Henry Troy as a tenor, but you must show a willingness that you are trying hard to entertain and please them. For an example, a patron of the different colored thtaters remarked on the street the other day that there were two little girls in a certain show shop that kept the audience in a pleasant frame of mind by their pleasing smiles and seeming anxiousness to entertain their guests. So that is the way of the colored amusement seeker of Jacksonville, and you can't blame them.

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Mr. Lew Kenner and John Lewis are still at the Airdome Theater. This week Mr. Kenner is playing a part opposite Slim Henderson and his partner is doing a very neat straight, even if he won't smile and look pleasant in places where it is required. Get together, John. You can do better.

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Webb & Webb (Richard and Ora) are doing their act for the second week at the Airdome and it is still pleasing, yet Miss Webb is forced to sing "Wild Cherry Rag" for an encore. She has stamped this song into the hearts and minds of the people, and they can't get enough of Miss Webb and the "Wild Cherry Rag."

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Hi Jerry Barnes, the big, droll comedian, is at the Palace Theater, making them laugh. He is engaged at the Palace for as indefinite time and is also stage manager. Jerry was overheard to remark to Billy Owens, of the Globe, that he was going to New York next week. Look out, Hi Jerry.

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Slim Henderson, Bob Russell, Marion Brooks and Billy Owens were seen talking on the corner of Bridge and Ashley the other day for more than an hour. Finally some of the managers noticed this and began to get uneasy, and one of the nervy managers walked right up to the party and says, "Gentlemen, are you all planning to build an opposition house?" Slim Henderson spoke up, "No, Billy Owens and I were just planning to build a theater on an airship and hire these two guys, Bob and Marion, to produce the shows, but they want too much salary." Wouldn't that bump you? The manager bought all four a drink.

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This is the second week of Prof. Woods, the ventriloquist, with his little doll Henry. This week he set the Airdome wild by making little Henry drunk. Did you ever see a ventriloquist's figure get intoxicated? Well, it's rich; it's great; and Prof. Woods knows how to handle his figure. He uses the "blues" for little Henry in this drunken act. This boy is only twenty-two years old and has a bright future in front of him if he will only stick to it.

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Miss Fisher is singing "That Cuddling Rag" in the big act at the Airdome this week. She is assisted by Miss Viola Stewart, John Woods and John Lewis. Miss Fisher has a cute little dance she uses in the chorus of her songs, and when she takes a notion to do it she will get back for an encore every time.

BIG WEEK AT THE AUDITORIUM.

"Crocodileville" Goes Big with Everybody.

PHILADELPHIA, April 15.—At the Tuditorium, 1426 South street, Philadelphia's only colored vaudeville house, last week Frank Montgomery & Co. in their original act, "Crocodileville," headed the bill and were supported by Billy Watts, late of Watts & Reese, in his brand new singing and talking act, and Edythe Davis, the popular comedienne.

This week Housley & Nicolas, the musical wonders, head the bill in a repertoire of bright new music, and are supported by Robert Johnson, "the Talking Fool," in an eccentric singing and dancing act, and Eva Alexander, expert triple buck dancer.

Charles Broadus, trap drummer, late of the Crescent Theater, New York, who was lately added to the musical staff of the Auditorium, was confined in the Douglass Hospital, having been bitten by a vicious bulldog. He was discharged from the hospital on Monday and his condition is much improved.

The motion picture end of matters has recently been strengthened by the addition of Saylor Alexander as operator, late of the Comedy Theater, New York City.

Thursday of last week we were favored by a visit from the genial Sam Carker, advance representative of Cole & Johnson's "Red Moon" Company, which is playing in Camden, N. J., this week.

ROYAL THEATER, MEMPHIS, TENN.

Walter James Reid writes from Theater Royal: The playhouse of the South is still doing excellent business. The Saturday night performance had to be cut in order to get the exceedingly large number of usual performances on. Mr. Eugene Liggin, our stage manager, put on one of his excellent plays direct from the scene of the famous Chinatown, in 'Frisco, the raiding of Sing Lee's hop joint, which was a screamer from start to finish. One of the leading casts was a small child (yellow), who succeeded in mastering his part, Sing Lee's child being only four years old. Next following comes Miss Zenobie Jefferson, the charming soubrette, who takes three and four encores nightly. She sends regards to all in and out of the rofession. Miss Trixie Colquett, the Southern beauty, is taking a few weeks' vacation in Birmingham and Charleston, S. C. We certainly wish her to return, because poor Zenobie surely has to go some. Miss Janie Mullen, that awful male impersonator, is certainly cleaning up some. All the talk is, love my stage, but Oh, you Mullen!

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Mr. Freddie Harris, that funny singing and talking comedian, is the dope. Where is your home, Freddie—in Monkey Land? Mr. J. M. Day, our star comedian, better known as Chocolate, is cleaning up singing .:Bolo Rag" and sends regards to Miss Willie Day, Bob Russell, Slim Henderson and Buddie Glenn.

Son and Cuba, those funny little picks, have certainly created some dope in dancing that would make the face of a city clock smile. The Picks are fine.

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Miss Alice McQuiller, the musical directress of the Royal, is sick. She seems to improve slowly, but the bunch thinks the directress is deeply in love with the loving Mr. Davenport, whose visits are very scarce in Memphis since his position has been changed to Osceola, Ark. Please come home, Davenport; we don't want to lay off on account of Alice.

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Walter J. Reed, the man with the two drums, is able to be up again and at his work. Poor Reedie has had a hard time, but nevertheless he is always able to go down and get his Freeman.

RICHARD AND PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS.

That the R. & P. Georgia Minstrels are top-notchers has been proven recently. We have played nightly with the S. R. O. sign in front. Other shows flying by night and bearing the title of The Famous Georgia Minstrels are gracefully sidestepping the old original show when she starts toward them. Dave Smith is taking three and four nightly singing "Just Plain, Ordinary Man." Clarence Powell is scoring with "The Christening." Billy King does nicely with "I've Been Told" and "Ada."

The Saxaphone Four are olio headliners, composed of Simpson, Watkins, Goins and Jones. They render three selections nightly, all being highly appreciated by the audiences.

Well, Wash has another new trunk.

Messrs. Simpson and Daniels were greeted by their respective wives upon arrival in East St. Louis.

We wonder where "Kid" Lanford could be? We only see him just a "wee" bit while we are in East St. Louis.

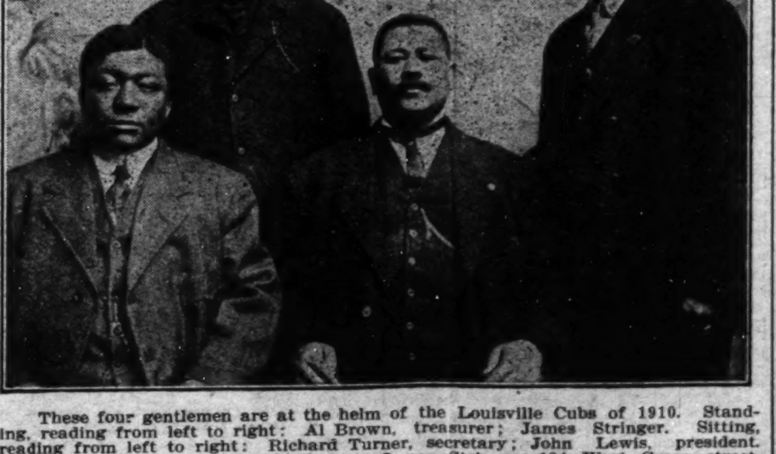
We would like to know what to do when a band of fifteen pieces under the leadership of able Fred Simpson renders standard overtures from "Il Trovatore," "William Tell," etc., and some admirer of classic music shouts, Hurrah! Hurrah! Play us "Alabama Bound." Well, it must be the way of the world.

Everyone is well and send regards to friends in and out of the profession.

DREAMLAND THEATER, OPELIKA, ALABAMA.

The Dreamland Theater in Opelika, Alas doing fine. We are having the crowds, rain or shine. We are booking people every week. Our show consists of the following: John Williams, in his funny monologues, singing the only song hit of the South, "Abraham Lincoln Jones." We also have the White Sisters, who are cleaning up singing "We Are the Only Stars That Twinkle in the South." Rastus Brown is doing fine. We have Jones & Jones (Will and Lucy). They are the team singing with great success "Baby, Keep Your Foot on the Soft, Soft Pedal and Don't Talk So Loud." O, yes, we have also got the little Florida favorite, Madam Beatrice Howe, the buck and wing dancer, who is making good and leaves the house screaming wnen she sings "Black Man, It's After Hours, and You Can't Come In," and "I Love to Wear My Mary Janes 'Cause They Fit Me Like a Perrene." Miss Lizzie White is cleaning up with her singing and dancing, "I Am Going to Get Me a Man, That's All," "Old Hambone Is Far Too Numous to Mention," a hit tonight and a hit last night, "My Heart Is Right, but My Feet Won't Let Me Stand."

Prof. Drake is our music director and plays all the latest overtures well. Teams and actors, write. Grafters, booze-fighters and knockers, save stamps. Will Jones, stage manager (better known as Hambone), Opelika, Ala.



These four gentlemen are at the helm of the Louisville Cubs of 1910. Standing, reading from left to right: Al Brown, treasurer; James Stringer. Sitting, reading from left to right: Richard Turner, secretary; John Lewis, president. Address all business communications to James Stringer, 124 West Green street, Louisville, Ky.

SAVOY THEATER, MEMPHIS, TENN

The Savoy Theater is packing them the same as usual. Why? Because they are putting on the best shows that ever was produced by colored people. The Savoy Stock is said to be the strongest company in the South. The members are as follows: James Ransom and Clifford Ross, principal comedians; Chas. Gilpin, J. F. Francis Moses, James Hamilton, Miss Maye Ransom, Estella Harris, Laura Smith, Genevia Chester, J. C. Boone, Boss, manager. The Merry Howards have just joined the company. Prof. Buddy McGill is still doing funny stunts on the ivory and taking the house nightly with his overture. James Ransom is one of the funniest men in the South, and Clifford Rose can't be e .bat Our ladies are all good and the bunch all have fine voices and movements. The shows are changed twice each week, and the Memphis colored people are all njeoying the Savoy Stock Company nightly. Mr. Barrett, our general manager, wears a smile on his face constantly.

KERSANDS MINSTRELS.

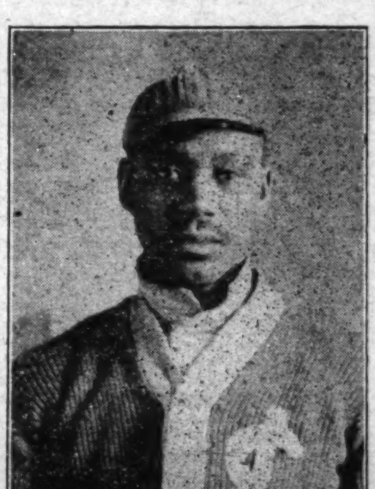
We opened in Jacksonville, Fla., for two performances and did fair business, and the remainder of the week has been good.

Mr. R. Voelskel, our manager, is with us and says he does not regret the $20,000 that he has invested in such excellent selections that were made in getting this aggregation together, for which he gives great credit to E. B. Dudley, who signed the people for him. He also speaks of the earnest work of the stage manager, Mr. James Crosby. A few of the principals: Billy Kersands and wife, Jas. Crosby, Billy Earthquake, Dick Thomas, Moses McQuitty, E. J. Elliott, Richard Matthews, Henry Paschal, Mr. E. B. Dudley and wife, Joe Miller, Ralph Redmond, Ward Andrews, E. W. Blake, Joe White, Richard Edwards, G. D. Perry, Ed. Collins, Jessie Reeves, Willie Lewis, Fred Richardson, Elmer Dade, David Rasborough. Regards to all.

BLACK BEES A HIT IN CLEVELAND.

CLEVELAND, O., April 14.—Walter S. Lyons and Maud Singleton's Original Black Bees, featuring Maud Singleton and Sam Shelton, closed a big week at the Royal Theater the 9th and was re-engaged for week of 11th. Sam Shelton, the crackerjack comedian, is sending them out screaming every show. Maud Singleton, the classic character artist, is hitting them hard. Walter S. Lyons and his dog Prince are a hit. Regards to friends.

WALTER S. LYONS.
1228 Scoville Ave.



JESSE BRISCOE
Of the Louisville Cubs.

NOTICE.

On account of a limited amount of the late arrival of some of our sporting news a large amount of such matter will appear in the issue of April 23.

REAL SONG JEWEL.

We are glad to mention in these columns that The International Music Publishing Company, of Richmond, Ind., is the publisher of one of the cleverest songs on record, "In Title There Was but One George Washington, and Only One Booker T." There is not the slightest hesitancy in pronouncing it a headliner. It is sweet, clean, fresh, original bit of melody, with remarkably good verses, and a really artistic cover, in itself something of value. Will be sold through special agents.

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ALL PERFORMERS TAKE NOTICE.

The Freeman wants you, actor and actresss, to relate what has been the funniest incident that ever happened to you during your career. Our columns will be open to everybody who can briefly tell some funny situation that has happened some time before or after you entered the profession.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Of the whereabouts of Fred and James Gannon. When last heard of were working at the Wilkins Cafe, New York City, and at Muscogee, Okla. Since the death of Mrs. Mollie Gannon, their mother, they are wanted by their sisters, Almeta and Georgia Mae, who reside at 110 Runnells street, Dallas, Texas. Wire or write.

ROUTE.

BLACK PATTI MUSICAL COMEDY CO.—Week of April 18, Newark, N. J.

FIVE LICORICE STICKS, WITH NETTIE GLENN, UNDER THE PERSONAL DIRECTION OF BLACK CARL—Week of April 18, Jamestown, N. Y.

RICHARDS AND PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS, UNDER DIRECTION OF HOLLAND AND FILKINS—Pana, Ill., April 18; Shelbyville, 19; Tuscola, 20; Champaign, 21; Rantoul, 22; Kankakee, 23; Waukegan, 24; Kenosha, Wis., 25.

WHITNEY MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY—Week of April 18, Newcastle, Ind.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Allen, Arthur
Bryant, Howard
Banks, Jesse
Bowen, Howard
Paul and Mamie Carter
Davis, Prof. Lumford
Eldredge, W. L.
Edmondson, B. E.
Fisher, Lonnie R.
Ferris, Bismark
Freeman, F.
Grigsby, Norris
Grayson, Frank
Holden, V. P.
Henderson, Lee
Hill, Arthur
Imne, G. W.
Jones, Rastus
Leo, E. Dube
Langford, Willie
Bros, Lacey
Miller, Joe
Mayfield, Wm H.
Meadley, Frank
Vassar, M. B.
Williams, Geo. A.
Woods, Fountain A.
Wise, Jim

Ladies' List.

Allen, Toolsri
Lane, Lon
Wolff, Mrs. Hanna
Thomas, Clodie

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For A. G Allen's Minstrel Concert Band, an A No. 1 good Trombonist, one who doubles stage preferred; also concert Bass Drummer. Would like to hear from John W. Mobley. Other good musicians write. Address all mail to

Prof. J. H. McCamon,
Allen's Minstrels. - Care The Freeman.

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GREETINGS FROM
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THE STAGE

SIDELIGHTS ON THE "INDIVIDUALITUM" OF THE WHITNEY MUSICAL COMEDY CO.

When the curtain dropped on the last act of the "Ex-President of Liberia," Saturday evening, April 2, the members of the company could scarcely hear the announcement being made by the stage manager, Mr. Strouder, for the tumultuous screams eminating from the enthusiastic audience, which had packed the Kramer-Grand to standing room to witness the company's last performance. This closed a series of seven performances to well-filled houses, notwithstanding.

The town, Elwood, Ind., is somewhat of an anti-Negro town, there not being a colored family within its limits. But to note the vociferous reception the members of the company received, both individually and collectively, at the hands of the townfolk, one would be inclined to question the veracity of the above statement.

After giving fourteen performances during the week's engagement at Kokomo, and twelve at Logansport, the home of S. Tutt Whitney and his brother, J. Homer Tutt, and responding to the numerous and various social functions, given in honor of the Tutts by their multiplicity of friends, the company felt much in need of rest, and therefore greeted the week's work at Elwood, which did not call for daily matinees, with much delight. However, Mr. Whitney called on the company for two or three rehearsals in putting on his latest song hit, "Lucinda, Be My Lady Lu," which was presented Saturday evening, and proved to be a great hit. Mr. J. Homer Tutt and Miss Ethel Marshall being featured.

Our genial manager, Mr. T. L. Corwell, seemed well pleased with the tenor of affairs generally, having closed a week of tremendous success, with a glittering future ahead.

Little Miss Salena, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Baynard, appeared in two performances at the request of many of the Elwood citizens who had seen her playing about the theater, in her favorite song, "I'll Be True to You," and made a hit that created quite a stir among the ladies of the company. Presents have been coming to her in large number ever since, with cards signed "From Your Unknown Friend."

"If I ever get back to Cincinnati, I'll never leave there no more..'—L. L.

"That photo, 'Just Married,' belongs to me, I thank you, and, my! that's the very image of Frank."—H. D.

"Standing at that big bay window in the Cottage Hotel, looking across the Indiana plains in the direction of Virginia, certainly makes a fellow feel peculiar. How's this for a title of my first song? 'Calling for Me.'"—L. A. L.

"When I get through with 'Lucinda,' I'll bet they will think I'm the real Mrs. T."—E. M.

"Say, Fox, do you think I could make it in Dayton, O., as good as I can in Newport News?"—F. J.

"It doesn't matter with me when we get out of this Kokomo-Logansport region."—M. B.

"Who am I anyhow, Mrs. Who?"—B. B.

"Who are the real whist champions of the Whitney Musical Comedy Co., anyhow?"—J. H. T.

"Yes, I know it, but I don't sing "Smile On, Sue" tonight; that's all there is to it."—S. B.

"I wonder if she's thinking of me now?"—H. F. W.

"Bee, ———!"—M. D.

"Gee! but these are some long days. No, Anderson, Ind., doesn't sound good to me any more!"—J. J. W.

"It doesn't matter with me, because I am Mrs.—say, do you know who I am "—M. M.

"Say, which way did those tribes go, Lobster?"—L. W.

"If you want to know who I am, just ask Lank."—B. S.

"Ces, I jumped it, so don't tell me about it. Talk about New Orleans."—H. S. W.

"Say, whose runnig this stage, you or me?"—A. L. S.

"Oh, Mr. Moon, look down upon this coon."—M. T.

"Yes, there is a great deal of difference between playing baseball and singing 'Honey, I Wants You Now.'"—J. H. W.

"Who is Paderewski, anyhow?"—W. A. B.

Miss Della Demmings left the company very suddenly on the 2d of April. The members of the company hated very much to see her go, as she was quite a favorite among the bunch. They all wish her well.

Mr. J. J. Weaver, the sensational baritone, is just recovering from a severe cold contracted during the heavy snow, and is again leaving the audiences screaming nightly with "In My Old Home." Being an ardent student and lover of husic, he is bound to create an excitement in the singing world yet.

Mr. Whitney and J. Homer Tutt got it on the other members of the company when they left them (the members of the company) on the stage waiting for a letter to be read Friday evening after the performance. They waited and waited until they realized that they were the victims of an April fool joke.

The Ranger Quartet, composed of H. S. Wooten, Frank Jackson, J. J. Weaver and Jas. H. Woodson, is the talk of the Whitney Musical Comedy Co. When they get through with "Little Jack Horner" and "Cannibal Isle" they set their hearers wild. Mr. Woodson, the phenomenal basso, plays a conspicuous part in this quartet, while Wooten and Jackson keep 'em guessing about the tenor singing. Weaver, baritone, is no less attractive as soloist in many of their numbers and he keeps his comrades busy working on new songs.

Musical Director H. F. Waterson is still mystifying the audiences by working his baton with one hand and the piano with the other. While Mr. Lawrence Williams keeps everybody wondering if the drums work by electricity. They are electric lighted without a doubt.

Mr. Weaver would like very much to hear from Monroe Tabor.

SMOAKVILLE SHOW TROUPES.

By Miller & Lyles.

Dear Mr. Freeman:

I called practise for 11 o'clock thursday. They were all very prompt, gettin' there 'bout 3, all but me; I got there at 4. I wood have been there earlier, but I was busy showin' the man that he ought not to move my furniture for bills unpaid till a later date, 'cause to do so would cast suspicion, and some people would be so evul-minded as to think I didn't have muney a nuff to carry out the show. First thing I done was to hand out what they had to say, but none of them could read my ritin', and the tripe writer in the lawyer's office wanted to charge we two cents a page to tipe it for me. But I need my pennies to buy stamps with, so I had the troope to repeat after me. But I had to rite sum words I couldn't say myself, so that put me in a devil of a fix. The man I got for the villian stutters so I had to give his part to the comedian and the comedian's part to him, but I gess it's all rite. I have a part where the villian hits the leading lady. The other day he hit her before she was ready, and he knocked her false teeth out, and they broke. Up to this riting she hasn't had any solid food. Here is a part of the second act. How do you like it? This is Jack's jart: "Ethel, what has bekum of the child?" This is Ethel's part: "Jack, the child got so mean I had to kill it." I think it is great. I'm the one carryin' this show troope. I ought to no. Oh, by the way, I had a narrow exkape. I like to lost my troope. It was this way: I tried out Miss Tilly Brainstorm's voice, and she hollered so loud that she skared all the children in the neighborhood, and they started to arrest us for disturbin' the piece. Tilly's got Anna Cook Panky beat a mile for quantity, if not for quality. Where is Joe Jordan? Tell him is he will send me all his late pieces I'll boost him by puttin' his name on the show mills. Tell him to never mind the keys, 'cause there's a saloon rite cross the street, and every time I want my comedian I have to go over there after him. Say, ain't it funny how people will tempt you when you are 'tendin' to bizzness? Somebody will ask me to have a drink, and he knows I'm bizzy and can't refuse him, and first thing I know I have stayed so long till all the male members of the company is over there. I wish I could get sum one who don't drink or kare for saloons to join the troope as a modul for the other men to keep them out of the saloons. Is Lawrence Chenault still with the Smart Set? If so, tell him to rite me. I heerd that the cooks in your town was on a strike. If so, get the names of as many as you can and send them to me. I want to keep a list of them in case some of my gurls quitt. I want to get plenty of young blood in my show. See if you can get a line on Sam Lucas, Bob Cole, Keely and George Catlin. I no they don't no much 'bout troopin', but what I no I can lern them. If everything turns out all rite, we'll perform here in the Liberty Hall next monday nite. We kud use the Court House, but they want three dollars in revance, and I don't want to take any chance; it might rain. I ain't got out no bills yet, but I've been tellin' everybody 'bout it, and had it red out in church, and Elder Loose has postponed his revival. Good in him, wasn't it? He ought to do it for me, though; I invited him to dinner wunce. I'll rite you next week how the first show kum out. Hopin' I'll have success, I remains,

George Beard,
Manager of Smoakville Show Troope,
Smoakville, Ga.

ABOARD A. G. ALLEN'S PRIVATE CAR, "IDA MAY."

P. L. Perkins writes we are away down in southern Louisiana this week among the sugar cane....The Watts Brothers, Lew and Joe, acrobatic team, whose act is a feature, are holding their own, scoring nightly. Their act from start to finish is death defying, yet grand....J. B. Norton, our stage manager, is rehearsing a new act which promises to outstrip all his previous efforts....W. A. Dixon, lyric tenor, never fails to draw a ripple of applause at each appearance....Our ball team is practicing daily and expects to take on all comers this season....Robert H. Gant sends regards....R. Roy Pope, Miss Essie Williams and James Wolfscales, Wm. (Tuba) Thomas say hello to Uncle "Billy" Carroll. Write to Hazen, Ark....Prof. McCamon, our genial and capable bandmaster, sends regards to Walter Lee, and wishes to hear from John Mobley at once. Write care The Freeman....H. S. Smith, the veteran trombonist and comedian, closed March 26, and is to locate in Natchez, Miss.....Ellwood Johnson says hello to B. F. Stevens.

"BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS" IN WASHINGTON.

Give Enjoyable Performance at True Reformers' Hall—The Famous Diva at Her Best—Mr. Thompson Entains Prominent Members of the Company.

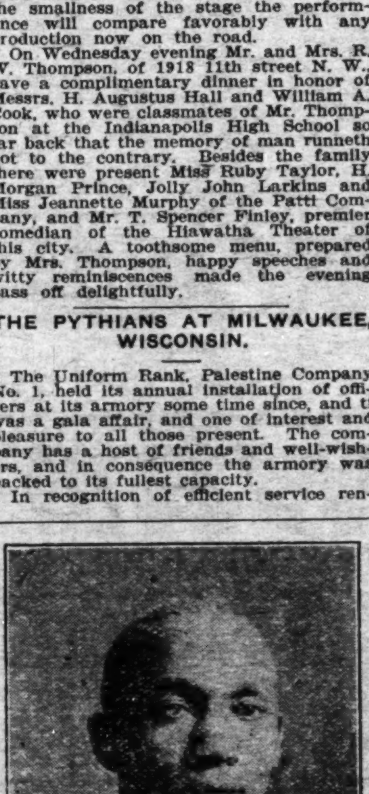
Washington, D. C., April 2.—The Black Patti Troubadours appeared here this week at True Reformers' Hall, coming over from Baltimore, instead of going on to Philadelphia, which they decided to "scratch" on account of the striek on the local traction roads.

The skit produced was "A Trip to Africa," which showed off the entire company of sixty people to marked advantage, with the charming Mme. Sissieratta Jones and "Jolly" John Larkins as the bright and particular stars. The fair diva is one of those perennial springs that goes on year after year, without losing in purity of tone or vivacity of manner—one of those creations of the Almighty "whom time cannot wither nor custom stale." She was at her best and sang several new songs, besides taking her leading part in the famous sextet from "Lucia Di Lammermoor," and giving in matchless style "'Way Down Upon the Swanee River." John Larkins, Will A. Cook, H. Augustus Hall, Sarah Green Byrd, Charles Bougia, H. Morgan Prince, all sustained their roles with credit and distinction. Despite the smallness of the stage the performance will compare favorably with any production now on the road.

On Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson, of 1918 11th street N. W., gave a complimentary dinner in honor of Messrs. H. Augustus Hall and William A. Cook, who were classmates of Mr. Thompson at the Indianapolis High School so far back that the memory of man runneth not to the contrary. Besides the family there were present Miss Ruby Taylor, H. Morgan Prince, Jolly John Larkins and Miss Jeannette Murphy of the Patti Company, and Mr. T. Spencer Finley, premier comedian of the Hiawatha Theater of this city. A toothsome menu, prepared by Mrs. Thompson, happy speeches and witty reminiscences made the evening pass off delightfully.

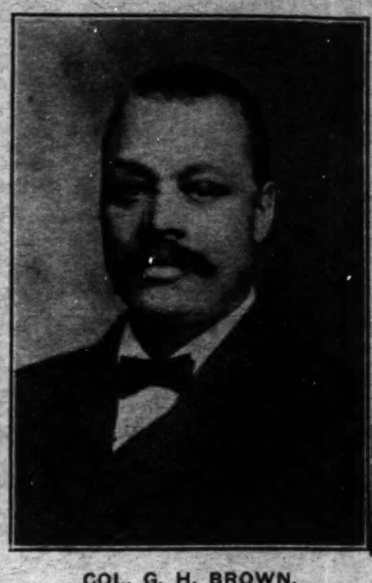
THE PYTHIANS AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

The Uniform Rank, Palestine Company No. 1, held its annual installation of officers at its armory some time since, and tl was a gala affair, and one of interest and pleasure to all those present. The company has a host of friends and well-wishers, and in consequence the armory was packed to its fullest capacity.



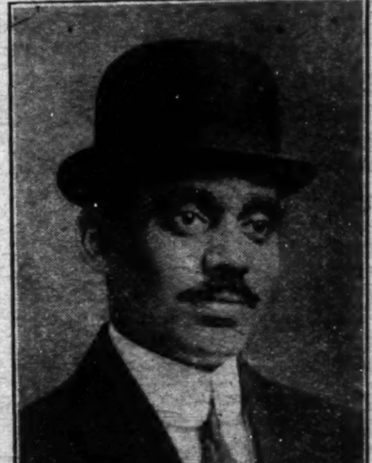
CAPTAIN CHARLES REDD,

Who Was Re-Elected Captain of the Palestine Company No. 1, Uniform Rank, K. of P., Milwaukee, Wis.



COL. G. H. BROWN,

Who Was Re-Elected Treasurer of the Palestine Company No. 1, Uniform Rank of K. of P. of Indianapolis.



A. J. LONG,

Re-elected Recorder of the Philistine Uniform Ranks, K. of P., Milwaukee, Wis.

In recognition of efficient service rendered in their respective offices, Captain Charles Redd and Treasurer G. H. Brown were re-elected by acclamation. The company was tendered a token of esteem and respect in the nature of a scarf, handsomely worked with the company's name and colors of the organization, by Miss Lawson Ford.

The officers were installed by Colonel G. H. Brown, of Wisconsin. An exhibition drill was given for the entertainment of the guests, and was the occasion of much applause. Each officer-elect was requested to speak, and there was no lack of eloquence from the many orators.

The officers-elect are as follows: Captain, Charles Redd; First Lieutenant, W. G. Bonds; Second Lieutenant, Robert Darden; Recorder, Alfred J. Long; Treasurer, G. H. Brown; First Sergeant, Ed Luttrell; Second Sergeant, A. W. Chinn; Corporal, G. W. Simpson; Color Sergeant, Lawson Ford.

The company was given its regular inspection by Colonel G. H. Brown and Major W. R. Page, of Wisconsin. Palestine Company No. 1 is the only company of colored Sir Knights in the whole State of Wisconsin, and not alone for that distinction have they much to be proud of, but though only a year old, it won the first prize for neatness at the biennial encampment at Kansas City in 1909. Much praise is due to Captain Redd, formerly of Louisville, Ky., for the founding of the Pride of Milwaukee Lodge No. 1, of which he is Chancellor, and the Palestine Company No. 1, of which he is Captain.

A. J. Long, Recorder.

CHARLES BANKS ON "BUSINESS"

Hustling Cashier of Mound Bayou's Bank Fires the Hearts of the Arkansas State Negro Business League.

Thompson's National News Bureau.

Little Rock, Ark., April 2.—Hon. Chas. Banks, the energetic cashier of the Bank of Mound Bayou, and master mind of the town that Isaiah T. Montgomery founded in Mississippi's richest delta region, delivered the principal address before the annual convention of the Arkansas State Negro Business League, which assembled here last Thursday and Friday. Mr. Banks is president of the Mississippi State Negro Business League, and first vice-president of the National Negro Business League—right hand man to President Booker T. Washington.

The Arkansas League could not have made a happier selection, if the hearty reception accorded Mr. Banks is any criterion upon which judgment can be based. No man is more closely identified with the commercial, industrial, social and political life of the Negro than Charles Banks, and for more than an hour he meld his audience in amazement and enthusiasm over the wonderful story he told of the development of his own town of Mound Bayou, of its wonderful cottonseed oil mill, now about to open for business, and how the Negroes run everything in the government of the place, from mayor down to constable, postmaster and ticket and freight agent at the depot. He touched thoughtfully upon every phase of racial uplift, and his rare faculty of making an audience feel with him all that he feels for his people gave the citizens of Little Rock a keener impulse to bestir themselves in a business way than anything that has been heard here in many a day. The Arkansas League considers itself fortunate in being able to secure the presence of such an inspiring genius as Mr. Banks proved himself to be. His address on "Business" was at once thrilling and informing, carrying conviction to every receptive mind.

Mrs. Banks accompanied her husband to Little Rock, and both were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bush during their stay in the city.

Announcement was made that Mr. Banks has accepted an invitation to deliver the commencement address for the Alcorn Agricultural and Mechanical College in May.

MARION, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

Rev. Day, of Metropolis, Ill., was in the city Wednesday and Thursday. He preached at the St. Paul Baptist church on Wednesday evening, and on Thursday evening at the Bethel A. M. E. church. ....The Literary Society of the St. Paul Baptist church met on Friday evening. It was well attended....The Lebanon Club gave an All Fools' entertainment at the Bethel A. M. E. church on Friday night. ....Miss Eunice Mathews and Mrs. Lottie Jackson were called to the sick bed of Mrs. Lizzie Bates, of Murphysboro, Ill.....Miss Carrie Kidd, daughter of Mr. Thomas Kidd, was married to Mr. Leonard Martin, of this city, Saturday evening, April 2. They were both of junior age. They will reside here for the present....The St. Paul Baptist church gave an entertainment on Saturday evening, April 2. It was well attended.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Of Mr. James Hooks, contortionist and baseball player. Last heard of in Springfield, Mo. Information leading to his whereabouts will be gladly received by his mother, Mrs. Ella Washington, 2716 P. O. street, Galveston, Texas.

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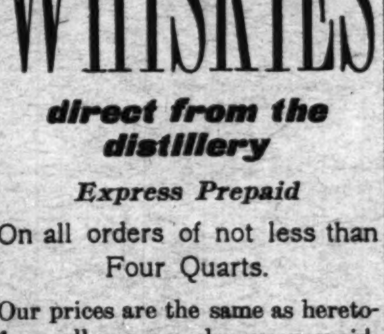

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Their Names and Addresses of the Managers.

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MONARCHS DEFEAT THE ROYAL GIANTS

Oklahomians Easily Take Missouri Boys' Measure.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 15.—The Oklahoma City (Okla.) Monarchs easily defeated the Kansas City (Mo.) Royal Giants by a score of 14 to 1 last Sunday. The feature of the game was the home run of James Norman, the ball clearing the fence which was ten feet high.

GET A JACK JOHNSON BUTTON—EVERYBODY AFTER THEM.

Buttons of Jack Johnson were placed upon the market at Chicago, Ill., last week, and they went like hot cakes. Thousands and thousands of the big fighter's admirers are purchasing them.

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Those wishing it should write William Foster, 3025 State street, Chicago, Ill.

DALLAS MAKES GOOD SHOWING AGAINST LELANDS

Plays Two Tight Games in Texas City.

DALLAS, Tex., April 15.—Major R. R. Jackson and his fifteen world beaters stopped here Wednesday and Thursday and played the Dallas Black Giants. Although the Lelands won, they had to do some hard playing and bring out their best assortment of ball to defeat Dallas. The fans of Dallas were all smiles at the creditable showing that the home team made, after only a few days' practice.

Manager Walker says that Dallas will be the best team in Texas this season.

The scores were 5 to 2 in the first game, and 6 to 2 in the second. The attendance was good.

The Lelands left here for New Orleans.

NEGRO CLUB IN WHITE CHURCH LEAGUE

Grace Church Teach to Go After the Pennant.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 15.—The well-known Grace Presbyterian Baseball Club of the Presbyterian Church League of Chicago, Ill., has organized a team for the season, and the prospects are that the Grace team will win the penant this year. The Grace team is the first colored club ever entered in a white church league, and has finished second for the last three years.

It is said that the Leland Giants have tried for the past two seasons to get their star pitcher to sign up, but he prefers not to play baseball on Sunday.

A. B. C.'s TAKE BOTH GAMES.

Goliah, Second Baseman, Star Player in Both Contests.

The Indianapolis A. B. C.'s crossed bats with the T. T.'s in a double header Sunday. In the first game the A. B. C.'s were defeated by the T. T.'s by a score of 3 to 2. A feature of the game was the playing and hitting of Second Baseman Goliah. He gave the 1,000 fans present a splendid imitation of Ty Cobb at the bat when he knocked the ball over the fence. The batteries for the two teams were: A. B. C.'s, Higsbee and "Big Boy"; for the T. T.'s, Hughes and Dunn.

In the second game was seen some very careful playing. Everybody saw a great battle for supremacy, fought by Pitcher Griffin. He held them down from start to finish; and the visitors never scored, making a finish of 2 to 0.

JEFF TO USE RING THAT BELONGED TO JOHNSON

ROWARDENNAN, Cal., April 12.—In the same ring that Jack Johnson used at his Emeryville training quarters to get into shape for his match with Stanley Ketchel, James J. Jeffries will do his first boxing here this afternoon. The securing of this particular ring, which has been set up in what was formerly a large dance hall, was not planned, it is said, and is merely a coincidence. At all events, Jeffries himself knew nothing about it until he read the San Francisco papers this morning. Jeffries will meet Johnson in a twenty-four-foot arena, but the former training ring is not more than seventeen feet square inside the ropes. Its size, however, is regarded as inconsequential, as Jeffries is expected to prepare for a bruising fight and rough and tumble work from the start.

The stiff nine-mile hill jaunt taken recently was easily negotiated by the big pugilist. He ran the last half mile at the close of the journey and finished strong and apparently fresh.

MOBILE BASEBALL PLAYERS ARE AT GAME

The Cuban Stars and Dixie Parks, of Mobile, played April 5 in Mobile before aboue 1,000 fans and over. The Stars put up their usual exhibition of good ball playing, and the inside and general team work of the club was about the best seen in Mobile this year. The Mobile team secured more hits, but they were kept well scattered.

Bee Turner pitched an excellent game for the home club.

The feature of the game was the great catch of Myers in center field, and throw, cutting off a run of the visitors.

Pedirosa pitched the last four innings for the Stars, his control being perfect, striking out eight men and yielding only two two-base hits during his stay in the box. The game ended with the score:

	Hits.	Runs.
Stars	7	8
Mobiles	10	7

Batteries — Marinetta and Pedirosa; Garcia, Turner, Stiggens and Ward.

ROYAL GIANTS OPEN SEASON.

Defeat the Chicago Outlaws.

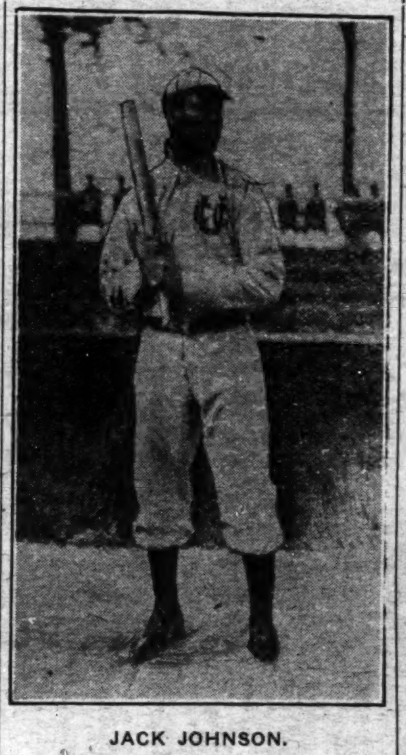
KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 12.—The Kansas City Royal Giants opened their practice season Sunday afternoon, April 3, at Shelley Park, Independence avenue and Oak street, before a large and enthusiastic crowd. The Chicago Outlaws more than gave them a run for their money, the final score being 6 to 5 in favor of the Royals.

On form the Royals show up very strong, and from all indications they will be heard from and will show much class before the season is far gone. Jack Johnson, manager, has practically a new bunch from last season, but he states that he will have a winner; a good deal can be depended upon what he says, as he has the experience and has always shown superiority when it comes to baseball.

Shelley Park is being remodeled and will have a seating capacity of four thousand persons. The diamond is being raised, and it will be in pretty good shape. Also, the fence will be removed back, which will enlarge the playing field. This was all completed by April 6, and the real opening of the grounds will be April 16 and 17.

The line-up is Pulliam and Meckling, Chas. Childs, Lee, Potter and Buckley, P. Smith, first; Johnson, second; Strothers, third; Toney, shortstop; Sterman, left field; Millner, center field; Dougherty, right field.

On next Sunday, April 17, the Royals meet the Oklahoma Indians, of the City League, at Shelley Park. Game called at 3:15.



JACK JOHNSON.
The well-known star right fielder and manager-captain of the Kansas City (Mo.) Royal Giants.

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DIXIE BOYS OUTHIT THE CUBAN STARS

But Are Defeated by a Score of 8 to 7.

MOBILE, Ala., April 6.—The Dixie Park Baseball Club and the famous Cuban Stars, of Havana, Cuba, played a fine game April 5. Although we outbatted them, they beat us 8 to 7, this being our first attempt to play a professional club. We consider the showing grand. Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Cuban Stars	8	5	4
Dixie Parks	7	10	3

We played the New Orleans club four games and broke even. While New Orleans has a fast bunch, they like a good deal of pleasing the Mobile fans until they refrain from leaving the field, especially when the home club has gone to $150 expense. They will make very little headway playing baseball in that way. I like an aggressive ball player, but when it comes to the style of kicking they did in Mobile, March 28, 29, 30, why, I'm forced to believe that home is the best place for them.

We are in need of two pitchers, one outfielder and a shortstop. Any such player would do well to write me.

The Pensacola Giants beat us two straights, while we had no right to score, although we did in both games. Goldstucker has the best bunch in this section, to my judgment—a clean set of players in every sense of the word.

Any club traveling down this way can find open dates with us. I am informed that C. I. Taylor has gone to West Baden with his bunch of Birmingham Giants. I wish him much success, as the Birmingham Giants had the call in Mobile last seasons.

All idle ball players that would like the South, please write me.

DAVID P. JOHNSON,
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MINNEAPOLIS KEYSTONES WILL PLAY SOME BALL

Ready to Down Anything that Crosses Bats with Them.

One of the strongest organizations of colored ball teams today is the Minneapolis, Minn., Colored Keystones Baseball Club, of which Mr. Kidd L. Mitchell is president and manager.

Mr. Mitchell, it is said, has secured a great pick of professional colored ball players, and has started out with the intention of winning the championship over all teams this season. However, from the looks of his line-up, things look, indeed, favorable, as every man of them has a splendid past record. The line-up is:

Pate, left field; Shawler, center field; Barton, right field; Prior, third base; Davis, shortstop; Hutchington, second base; Young, first base; Green, catcher; Jackson, Lyons and Gatewood, pitchers; Gatewood, captain.

MR. KIDD L. MITCHELL.
President and Manager of the Minneapolis Colored Keystones Baseball Club.

CUBS WALK AWAY WITH SOX.

Indianapolis Boys Are a Good Thing for Falls City Team.

The White Sox, of Indianapolis, got all that was coming to them Sunday. The Cubs presented their regular line-up, and the boys certainly made good. The Cubs played such fast ball it made the Sox look like thirty cents. The Sox brought over three pitchers, and all of them had their troubles. The Cubs were compelled to win, and win they certainly did in grand style by a score of 11 to 3.

LOUISVILLE BASEBALL NOTES.

Richard is himself again. Old man Booker showed the boys how first base should be played.

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The bugs think Martin is better at short than Pugh. Oh, well, we'll see.

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Hick played his usual steady game at second.

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Jim Emory got the glad hand, and more than made good.

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Everybody was glad to see Woods in a Cub suit. Woods took care of everything that came his way.

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Briscoe had it easy Sunday. All he did was to make a few hits and look wise.

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Collins certainly caught some ball Sunday. By the way, Collins seems to be quite a favorite with the gentler sex.

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Our old staunch friend, West Hoats—hats off to you, old boy, you did well.

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I like my steady, but oh you Watson. Keep at 'em, son.

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Uncle Jesse had his eyes on you all Sunday.

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Brother Treble had on his Easter suit Sunday. Manager Stringer had to furnish him with three cushions.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS WIN FIRST GAME.

Defeat Chicago Outlaws in a Great Battle.

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OUR ACTORS AS BASEBALL PLAYERS

About All the Stars Like the Great GAME.

Bert A. Williams, Bob Cole, Rosemund Johnson, S. H. Dudley, John Rucker, Sherman Coates and a host of others in the profession like baseball immensely. In fact, Messrs. Williams, Cole and Johnson and Dudley go so far as to organize clubs from a pick of the members of their troupes, and these teams play surprisingly good ball generally. Williams & Walker and Cole & Johnson used to sped as much time organizing a ball club as they did getting together a good company.

Perhaps the best team of players as ball tossers was Ernest Hogan's "Black Rats"—that is, for fun. Scare them up a little and they could scamper off to home base as speedy as any white rat that ever traveled to a hole for safety. But few teams ever went up against a harder proposition than the Cole & Johnson Club. Did you know that Rosemund Johnson is a real pitcher, who knows what a curve is, and that Bob Cole is a bunter and fast base-runner, despite his short legs? No one has to say, "Run, Brother Possum; run," to Bob, because he gets there just the same.

CHAMPIONSHIP RACE TO BE HOT.

Teams All Over the Country Will Fight for It.

Perhaps the most talked about event in baseball that is to happen this season will be the try-out for the world's colored championship by the most prominent colored baseball clubs in the country. It is expected that the world's series will begin immediately after the closing games of the various leagues throughout the United States. There is a longer list of teams of standing which will compete for the pennant than last year, and every one of them is working hard to get into the championship ranks, so that they might be given a chance at winning the flag. So far the list is quite limited as to the teams that will compete for the supremacy mark. It includes Leland's Chicago Giants, Leland Giants, Cuban Giants, St. Louis Giants, Birmingham, Ala., Giants, Philadelphia, Pa., Giants, Royal Giants of Brooklyn, N. Y., Kansas City, Kans., Giants, Kansas City, Mo., Royal Giants, Louisville Cubs, St. Paul Gophers and Minneapolis Keystones.

Should Award a Cup.

The Freeman is of the opmion that the various managers should get together and make the contest the more interesting by appropriating a certain amount to use for prizes. A loving cup of real silver should serve as the prize to be won by the club winning the world's championship. It is also stated that these games are to be played in Chicago this year, where baseball is being richly supported each year, although much talk is going the rounds concerning the idea of holding the battles in New York.

DUDLEY'S SMART SET CLUB THE LOSER

Stage Team Walks Away with Them Easily.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 14.—The National Theater stage hands defeated S. H. Dudley and Smart Set Company here last Thursday, April 7, the score being 16 to 0. That is nothing for the Smart Set team to do, they say, as all of the players never saw a ball before, and few of them never new what a bat was really made for. The great loss is attributed to the fact that Dudley did not have his mule get in the box and pitch.

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Mr. T. Theo. Taylor appeared in a benefit piano recital April 7. The program was interesting and well rendered. He sang the vocal numbers with much taste and in good style. Miss Minnis and Mr. Bowlar, pianists of rare ability, spoke very gracefully and creditably of Mr. Taylor's work....The Sumner High School team went down in defeat before the team of Lovejoy High School, at Mound City. Score, 6 to 5....The Howard colony here is pleased with the successes of the debating team, both with Fisk and Atlanta.... Miss Lyda Tyler and Mr. F. Fielding Bowlar report an excellent meeting of the Southern Illinois Teachers' Association, at East St. Louis.

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Mr. John Allen is ill at Ward's Sanitarium.

Mr. Walker Connet is improving after two weeks' serious illness.

Mrs. Emma Crawford continues ill at her home in West Vermont street.

Mrs. George Slaughter, of Louisville, Ky., was a visitor in the city Sunday.

Mr. A. D. Boyd, proprietor of the Starlight Cafe, Cleveland, O., was in the city this week.

Mr. T. I. Brown will leave for Denver, Colo., Tuesday in the interest of the Sea Bird Gold Mining Company.

Rev. J. S. Bailey, superintendent of the Maysville M. E. District, and family will leave today for Maysville, Ky.

Mrs. Dallas Harper, of Chicago, was the guest of friends and relatives last week. Mrs. Harper was formerly Miss Katie Rich, of this city.

Communion services will be held at St. Philips's Episcopal church tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. The Men's Club will meet at 3 o'clock. Special services at 4 p. m.

Mrs. Eliza Roberts entertained Thursday evening of last week in honor of Mrs. George W. Toliver of Sackett Harbor, N. Y. Aong the guests present were Mrs. Thomas R. Johnson, Mrs. Clara Roberts and Mr. James Allen of Delaware, O. A four-course luncheon was served.

The following deaths have been reported this week: Pleasant Kariants, Jennie Mays, Henry Holmes, Ellen Westerfield, Richard Griffin, Arthur Miller, Maple Lewis, Samuel Howlett, Arthur S. Marshall, John Malone, Oliver Milligan and Laura Brookins.

Dr. Smythe will preach at Bethel tomorrow, 10:30 a. m. Subject, "Storing Up Happiness." Subject 7:30 p. m., "The New Woman." All are cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Johnson entertained a number of friends at 4 o'clock luncheon last Sunday at their home in North Missouri street. Covers were laid for eight.

Attorney and Mrs. J. T. V. Hill entertained at a pretty luncheon Friday evening of last week at their palatial home in Martindale avenue. Those present were: Superintendent J. S. Bailey, wife and son, Superintendent D. E. Skelton and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stevenson and daughter, Mesdames Maud Malone and Tribble and George L. Knox.

The Shriners held an initiation Friday evening of last week at their temple, followed by a banquet at Gray's Cafe. Toasts were given as follows. Potentate Crawford, "Object of Shriners"; Dr. S. A. Furniss, "Imperial Grand Council"; Dr. W. E. Brown, "Sand Desert"; S. A. Pritchard, "My Experience as a Shriner." Covers were laid for fifty. H. A. Regan was master of ceremonies.

OFF TO MINNEAPOLIS.

Shawler, Merida and Young, former star players on the A. B. C. baseball club, left here Monday night to join the Minneapolis, Minn., Keystones baseball club in that city.

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Rev. Ttate preached his first sermon to this congregation last Sunday, which was highly appreciated. He was introduced by George L. Knox. The collection was $35.25.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Forum, the new organization of the Colored Y. M. C. A., held its first session on Sunday afternoon of last week and it was a splendid beginning. The program was very interesting and the talks were helpful to all. This Sunday a strong program is to be presented. All men are invited. Session from 3 to 4 p. m.

All men are reminded that April 27 is the day set for the great special membership offer. All who pay an annual membership fee of $2 on that date will receive a bath privilege of $3, good for one year, free. This is a splendid offer and should be accepted by all.

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Commencing with Sunday morning prayer meeting at 5:30, the special revival services for this church will begin. At 10:45 the pastor will preach an evangelistic sermon. There will be a prayer service in connection with the Sunday-school at 12:45; at 7:45 the pastor will preach on the "Dry Bones in the Valley." Dr. Gaines, of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Effie Payne Bushnell, of Covington, Ky., are expected to be in charge of the meeting Monday night. All religious workers, including pastors and preachers, are cordially invited to be present at all our services.

IS CANDIDATE FOR LEGISLATURE.

Herbert A. Luckey, of Decatur township, Marion county, is a candidate for the legislature on the Republican ticket. He is a prominent young attorney of eight years' experience in the practice, has no pet hobbies and not the representative of any corporate interest or otherwise. He simply has the laudable ambition that any lawyer has to serve in the legislature, that he may represent the peope's best interests and assist in making good laws for all the people. He is a friend of the colored people and will at all times do his utmost to give them justice and a square deal.

STARLIGHT VISITS THE CITY.

Billy Brack Comes Along and Enjoys the Sights.

Mr. A. D. Boyd, better known as the proprietor of the famous Starlight Cafe at 2377 and 2395 East Fourteenth street, Cleveland, O., spent several days in the city this week. He was accompanied by the well-known sportsman, Billy Brack, president of the Z Club of Cleveland. Perhaps there are not two better-known gentlemen in the country than they among the political and sporting fraternity. Anyone who has witnessed an election day in Ohio's largest city will ever remember Starlight, alias A. D. Boyd. Starlight is an organizer in the truest sense. For years he has kept the colored vote in line in order that he might defeat any party or organization that might make effort to do damage toward the Negro voter. To hear the name of Starlight called among "rebel" political leaders strikes terror to the heart of every foe of the Negro in Ohio. Starlight is a man who has been honored in many ways because of his honesty of purpose, his push and vim and manner to go-in-and-get-there way of doing things. Recently a well-known brewing company of Ohio named one of its choicest brands of beer after his name, and this beer is being sold in cafes and dining cars everywhere.

Starlight's cafe is under the management of J. C. Hudson and is pleasantly located and pleasingly furnished in the most modern style. Messrs. Boyd and Brack will spend a few days at French Lick, Ind., before returning home. While here they were guests of Mr. Elwood C. Knox, Archie Greathouse, Onis Williams and others.

Starlight has suggested that H. T. Hubanks be sent to the Ohio legislature.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY EXECUTOR.

The undersigned, executor of the last will of Adam Griffin, deceased, hereby gives notice that by virtue of an order of the Hancock Circuit Court of Indiana, he will, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., on the 4th day of May, 1910, at 716 Blake street, in the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, offer for sale at public sale, free of liens thereon, all the interest of said decedent in and to the following described real estate, situate in the city of Indianapolis, in Marion county, Indiana, to wit: Ninety feet off of the east end of lot seven, in John S. Spann's subdivision of lots two, three and four, in block eight, in Isaac Harris' subdivision of outlot one hundred and fifty-seven, in the city of Indianapolis, said premises being known as 716 Blake street, in said city, and said sale to be held upon the premises.

Said sale will be made subject to the approval of said court, for not less than two-thirds of the full appraised value of said real estate, and upon the following terms and conditions: At least one-third of the purchase money cash in hand, the balance in two equal installments, payable in not to exceed nine and eighteen months from date of sale, evidenced by notes of the purchaser bearing six per cent. interest from date, waiving relief, providing for attorney's fees and secured by first mortgage on the real estate sold, or the purchaser may pay all in cash at his option. An abstract can be seen at the office of the executor.

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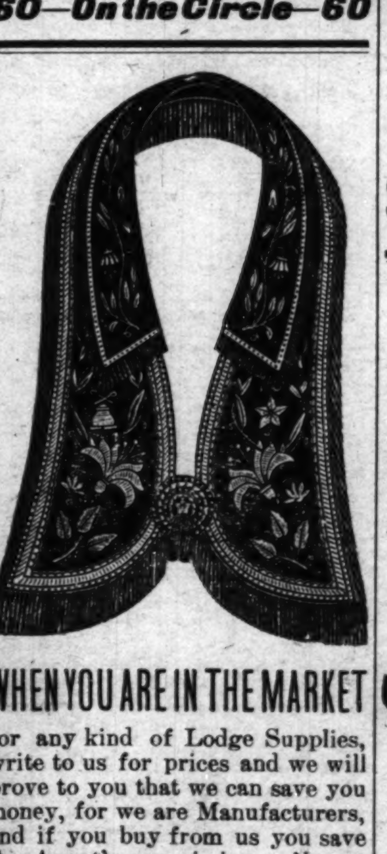

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WHY WE ISSUE THIS NUMBER

What of the Game and the People Who See It?

In issuing the baseball number today it is THE FREEMAN's desire to give to the public the first creditable publication ever published by Afro-Americans in the interest of those who not only promote, manage, own and play the great national game, but for the enthusiastic fans and admirers of the race as well. Of course we are aware of the fact this number is not as complete as it might be, but we have strained every effort possible to make it as desirable as conditions give us opportunity to make it.

Today baseball is the one great sport of the American people, and leads by great odds all other games, because it is a clean sport. There is no sport that is less condemned by the Christian world than is baseball, because there is little, if any, immorality that goes with it. Gambling on the ball grounds is almost extinct and the first case has vet to be reported wherein a life is taken over a game unless by accident. It is possible for you to take your wife and children to see a ball game, because there is nothing offensive to see.

It is a clean, live, healthy sport—one that we all may have cause to be lifted from the blue moment to the height of joy and laughter. Every daily and weekly paper employs a reporter to sit in the grand stand and report the games at home and abroad. No class of men are more thoroughly "written up" than the baseball stars, and in the late years no Negro paper is complete unless the name of Rube Foster, Frank Leland, Steel Arm Johnny Taylor, Walter Ball and a hundred other stars' names appear in their columns. We even have baseball journalism these days that is far different from any other. You should not be horrified should you read in the papers such news as, "Johnson took a bite out of the pill and blew up at second." And don't be surprised at some star "capturing the pulsating pellet with a dab of his lunch hooks," for that is baseball language.

There are two reasons, as we have said before, why baseball is by far the most popular game ever played by men, because, first, it is clean; second, it is democratic. No organiation of gamblers can "throw" nine men.

As in the ring, we as a race have made rapid steps to the front, in baseball. In fact, we have reached the top round. George Ade, the great American playwright and humorist, says we have "caught up with the white brother" in the great American game.

In this edition you will note the great interest that is being taken in the game by the Afro-American in every part of the country. Substantial clubs of class are being organized everywhere and their plan is to introduce organized ball before long. So interested has become our people in the great game that large amounts of money are being spent to secure players eligible to win the championship of colored baseball. It will be THE FREEMAN's aim to keep account of all games of importance and to publish them as they happen in each league if we can secure the proper reports. For this number we had hopes of securing a photo and sketch of every team of any prominence, but because we charged a small fee for such matters we found it impossible to obtain even "write-ups" from many of the very prominent teams. We never refuse them free space.

However, we shall do our utmost to please the baseball player, fan or promoter in the future twofold better than we have in the past, and we are asking that you help us do so.

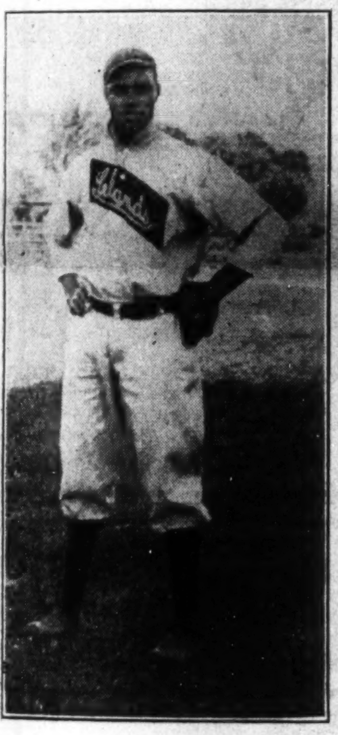
Play ball! C. D.-M.

SUCCESS OF THE NEGRO AS A BALL PLAYER.

BY ANDREW RUBE FOSTER.

Manager and Captain of the Famous Chicago Leland Giants, World's Colored Champions, Penant Winners of Chicago Baseball League, Season of 1909.

Great strides have been made by Negro baseball players in the past few years, and if he continues to receive the encouragement and hearty support of his own kinsmen in a business way, the distance between him and the paint designated as wonderful success will be materially lessened. I don't mean to say that Negro players at this time or in the past have been unsuccessful, but I must admit that he has been quite backward when we look around and note the number of leagues that have been formed and are succeeding. We are aware of the fact that the plants and franchises of clubs and leagues are not owned or controlled by the players. The players are a part of the business and are looked upon as the most active and valuable assets of clubs and leagues; without the players there could be no leagues, and without the leagues the players would be worthy of but a small amount of consideration. Therefore, we can readily see that one cannot be successful without the other. Baseball is a business just as much so as banking or manufacturing; and in order to be successful at either, one must follow the rules, laws and principles that have long ago been laid down by men who can spell success in half a dozen different ways.



JOHN H. LOYD,

Leland Giants' Star Second Baseman.

John Henry Loyd, former second baseman of the Philadelphia Giants, considered by every manager in the country to be the wonder of the twentieth century. He is a wonder in the fielding game, and a great hitter. It was his work at the bat and in the field that defeated Detroit's American League club, champions of the American League, and an all-star National League club, composed of such noted players as Mordecai Brown, of the Cubs; Joss, of Cleveland; Rucker, of Brooklyn, and Comnitz, of Pittsburg. He isreferred to as a ball team in himself. This great player will play second base for the Leland Giants this season.

Began Wrong.

The Negro started wrong, and after doing so he has been the victim of all kinds of bad advice and has been an innocent participant in numerous wild schemes for promoting the game. In short, I will say that the business end of the game is sadly in need of repairs, and has failed to keep up with the pace for success, that the players have set.

To speak of the success of the Negro as a ball player, practically fighting single-handed, with nothing but his health and strength to back him up, is a subject which requires no delicate handling, and I do not think that any one other than a score-worn warrior, who has been in the thickness of the many fights for success, can possibly make a statement which will pass the keen eyes of the critics of the game with anything like a chance to make believe that the Negro ball player has been successful.

Advanced in Many Ways.

From a playing standpoint the Negro has been successful in various ways. A few years ago the colored player was being used as an attraction, solely through the comedy or fun that his peculiar acts upon the diamond brought out; his baseball ability was a secondary consideration, and he was looked upon in disfavor unless he had a half dozen men in the line-up with a vocabulary of witty sayings and comical antics. The players some years ago would write for a job; and it was only necessary for the promoter to say "yes," and the player would catch the first freight train headed in that direction, usually landing with no mention whatever as to contract, lasary, etc. Such is not the case at present. The colored player has in the past few years advanced from the Knight of the Rod, and his playing ability has reached such a stage of development that promoters make it their special duty to see that the physical condition of all players intended for a team is safe-guarded in the best possible way.

Training trips for colored clubs a few years back would have been looked upon as a joke, but at present such trips are a certainty, and are considered a necessity, considering the class of teams that are demanded by the public and the many requests that are coming in for an opportunity to see the representative stars among our race. The people who support the game have advanced for beyond the circus idea in baseball. So when a team takes the field the fans soon make the fact known that they are there to see baseball, an exhibition of the national pastime and not a farce comedy. The colored player was one of the first to recognize this fact, and he began at once to show a heated interest in the fine points of the game. He has studied the game and has experimented with it from all angles until now we have players who are classed with the best in the land. This fact might be disputed upon the ground that we have had no chance to show it. But, nevertheless, such an honor has been given unto the colored lads by some of the best judges of baseball players in the country. Quite often you hear the remark: "Too bad he is a colored man," or "If so and so was only a white man he would be in the big leagues." These together with many other complimentary praises have been hurled at our boys, and such remarks have not come in the nature of a jolly. But, on the other hand, they have appeared in print over the signatures of men whose opinions are worth something and whose ideas are being studied, and are receiving consideration of thousands of lovers of the game. This shows that the Negro in a measure has been wholly successful as a player.

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There is nothing, mechanically speaking, which applies to the great baseball player of the country. But what the colored player has added to his reperotoire, and has practiced, studied and developed the same to such an extent that he has been given credit for adding many noted improvements to certain styles of play, which are in vogue at present.

ANDREW RUBE FOSTER,

Manager and Captain of the World's Colored Champions, the Leland Giants.

onsidering the fact that the Negro has no league, it might appear that he does not study baseball. His doing does not receive anything like definite consideration, by the leading baseball journals of the country. But I want to say right here that such ideas are mistaken ones. I doubt if any race playing the game studies it more closely than the colored man. He is constantly upon the alert for something new, and if such does not appear, he sets to work trying to improve upon the old ones. It is a well known fact that when his studies upon a play are ended he has polished the same to such an extent that no rough spots are descernable. There is not a play in the game today that is foreign to the Negro player, and many plays which are receiving two-column write-ups in the daily papers are being pulled off regularly by the colored boys. These are not receiving a great amount of attention because the best we can do is to mingle with the Semi-pros; and the supposition is that all such class of teams are only copying after the big fellows.

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James Booker, star catcher, now playing first base for Leland Giants, is one of the stars of the game. The baseball public will watch eagerly Booker's career as a first baseman. He is one of the greatest catchers; and while in the prime of his career, he exchanged positions to rejuvenate the team he made famous.

Aside from being endowed through Nature with a grand physique, the Negro has developed to the highest point all in the way of art that should accompany the same. We have pitchers who can well be classed as artists from the fact that they have accomplished everything that has made the white player the talk of the country. I believe that our pitchers have brought more renown to our race than any other particular position named in connection with baseball. The pitcher is the most important personage upon a ball team. That is when the game is in progress. All eyes and attention are centered upon him, and the deportment of his associates to a great extent depends materially upon his actions. If he is in the proper condition and is going good, it has a bearing upon the men behind him, which means much in the way of success. But if the reverse circumstances are true, it invariably has an effect upon his teammates, which often results in a rank failure of the whole team.

It is my honest opinion that our pitchers are the real students of the game; they are constantly studying and designing ways to deceive the other fellow. He is upon the aggressive at all times, and my opinion is that to be aggressive in baseball it brings into action more brain work than to be in a defensive position. The great studies the pitchers have made in the way of making the batter powerless before their deliveries show that such is true, and we now have the whole country trying to devise some plan by which the effectiveness of the pitcher may be lessened. Now, considering the fact, quite a few of our pitchers have shown enough in the way of merit as to be classed with the best in the country, it must mean that the player of color is a success. Following close behind our pitchers come our catchers.

The man behind the bat, to a certain extent, is looked upon for being responsible for the great effectiveness of the pitcher. Playing this position, we have players, were they white, they could name their own salaries. It is the opinion of many that the great studying of his position by the pitcher is putting catching fast into the class known as a lost art. This is alarmingly true, not only among colored players, but also in the big leagues. I doubt if there are over a half dozen top-notch catchers in the whole country. Still in the list of what few we have there are men who can safely be classed in the best class. These latter facts tend to throw much light upon the success of the Negro player from the fact that our best representative players are shining in positions which are considered the head and brains of all clubs. We have players who are good as basemen and outfielders. We also have a few who are great batsmen, but how they would stand if working regular against the highest type of pitching is a question that time only can settle.

Should Organize.

In my opinion the time is now at hand when the formation of colored leagues should receive much consideration. In fact, I believe it is absolutely necessary. We have now been in the game for a score of years, and we are no closer related to our white neighbor than when we first started; in fact, we are farther apart, as he is going ahead, forming leagues in every little hamlet; and the forming of leagues produces a barrier which we can not surmount, try as we will, unless we come to understand the heading of

Organized Baseball.

What we need is the proper financial backing and encouragement. The business end of the game has lagged along to such an extent that we now find ourselves in a dangerous predicament. We have a country full of colored ball players, well developed as to playing; but the places for giving employment to them are being promoted with such an eel-like pace, and the majority are founded upon such an uncertain business principle, that it is having a tendency to throw a dense cloud over the Negro as a promoter of baseball. The players have, through all sorts of adverse conditions, been able to bring our race to the notice of thousands who are interested in the game. Now will our business men and friends of the profession make an effort to help us to reach the coveted goal of complete success, or will they stand by and see us fail? Which shall it be?

I am sincerely yours
ANDREW RUBE FOSTER,
Mgr. Leland Giants B. B. C.

ST. LOUIS GIANTS WILL BE A FACTOR

In Settling Colored Championship of Country for Season of 1910.

CHAS. A. MILLS.

The St. Louis Giants base ball club has been going along since the season of 1907, prior to the season of 1909, they were practically in the unknown class, save for the information brought to light through the represenative talent sent forth to represent the city upon different clubs of the county.

It is a well known fact that St Louis from an attendance stand point is considered the best in the big leagues attendance figures for the past two years at colored games upholds the above statement in every way. The trolley league here is one of the best known and greatest drawing organizations in the semi-profesional class figures kept upon such games show that the colored Giants outdrew them two to one last season.

The Leland Giants of Chicago, the Kansas City Giants and clubs from all parts played here and all drew record breaking crowds, some of which ran up as high as 4761 actual paid admissions; something very few clubs can boast of.

We have now organized an association to promote base ball upon a scale which we hope to land us right in line with any of the big clubs of the country. Our association which will be incorporated is composed of a number of young men who ae considered byall who know them to be a good representative type of the twentieth century business man.

We have a park which is considered the finest semi-pro park in the city. It is centrally located, and transient facilities are such that a car from any part of the city can be had at intervals of four minutes apart. We have a modern grand stand and bleachers. The capacity of our grand stand is two thousand five hundred. Our bleachers will seat seventeen hundred people, and we have ample space for enlargement o both. Our average attendance figures two thousand easily. We make a claim which we believe no other club in the semi-pro ranks can honestly equal, considering the capacity of our grounds. With the Memphis and Nashville Giants as attractions, we were compelled to close our gates at 2:30, one hour before play was called; the crowd swarmed upon the field, making ground rules necessary.

We expect to be right up with the bunch for the coming season, both from a financial and a playing standpoint. We have secured the services of William Mc Munay, who will captain our team. This lad has seen service upon a half dozen of the leading clubs of the country, and is considered by experts to have excellent talent for leading. George Gatewood, star pitcher upon the Leland Giants, Cuban X-Giants and other big clubs, will probably be one of our twirlers. This sprinkling of old heads together with the promising young talent at hand we think will enable us to make a fight for the proposed championship honor, which will cause the name of St. Louis to echo from coast to coast.

The personel of our association includes the following:

Boardof directors, George Robinson, James Williams; Charles A. Mills, business manager; Edward Foster, president; John Thomas, vice-president; Russell Shaw, secretary; William Bell, assistant secretary; Byrd Wilkins, treasurer; William McMurray, captain.

JACKSONVILLE GIANTS IN SHAPE.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 8.—The Jacksonville Giants are fast getting into shape and are making a fine showing. With Monroe Tabor, our fast second baseman and coacher, a lot of credit is due. An article by Monroe Tabor will appear in the FREEMAN baseball number, April 16. The sporting editor of THE FREEMAN would like to hear from the manager of the Jacksonville club right away.

ANDREW PAYNE,

The Wonder of the Outfield. One of Leland Giants' Mainstays.

Andrew Payne, the great right fielder of the Leland lants, is commonly called the wonder of the outfield. He is a great hitter, base runner, and one of the headiest outfielders in the game. This is his fourth season with the Leland lants.

The Freeman can be found at Mr. J. L. Pollock's, 354 Indiana avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

LELAND GIVEN THE PENNANT

Chicago Giants Secure Franchise Vacated by Leland Giants.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 14.—The Chicago Giants scored the first victory in the battle for the local colored patronage with the Leland Giants Baseball Club when Frank Leland was awarded the pennant won by the Lelands last year in the Chicago Baseball League. The question of which club to award the bunting to came up for decision Monday and the league decided to give it to the club containing a majority of the players on the team that won the pennant.

Ten of last year's players have stuck with Frank Leland in the split, while Rube Foster, claims only five. The Chicago Giants' veterans are Manager Nate Harris, Walter Ball, Pat Dougherty, Rat Johnson, Mike Moore, Bobbie Winston, Charley Green, George Wright, Billy Norman and Danger Talbert. Rube Foster has himself, Jimmy Booker, Pete Hill, Clarence Payne and George Strothers as the members of the team that landed the pennant.

Another point that swayed the decision was the fact that the Chicago Giants now hold the franchise vacated by the Leland Giants Club when it jumped the league for the Park Owners' Association. The league decided to hoist the pennant on May 15 at Auburn Park, the game scheduled that day being between the Chicago Giants and the Logan Squares, the team that ran second in the league.

A cable from Havana to Jimmy Callahan this morning indicates that the Cuban Stars will play on the Chicago League circuit this year, instead of the Park Owners', the wire stating that the club left for New Orleans on its way up North in charge of Secretary Camps of the Almendares Club, and that President Linares would join the club on its way to Chicago. The cable stated that Mendez, Pedroso, Garcia, Bustamente, Hernandez, Parpetti, Munez and the other big men of the Cuban League were in the party.

It looks as though the outcome of the fight between President Linares and McAllister will not be known until the club actually tries to play in Chicago, May 28.

The White Rocks have closed a contract to play at Rogers Park this summer in the absence of the regulars in the Chicago League games. The club is lining up strong this year and promises to be one of the strongest clubs outside of the league.

J. P. HILL,

Leland Giants' Center Fielder. Considered the equal, if not the superior, of any man playing baseball.

The Arions will occupy Callalhan's grounds in the absence of the Logan Squares this year and Frank McNichols is expected to secure a club to occupy his grounds in the absence of the West Ends. Auburn Parks will probably alternate with the Chicago Giants at Johnny Schorling's grounds.

GEORGE ADE LAUDS NEGRO BALL PLAYER

Says He Has Caught Up with His White Brother.

By GEORGE ADE.—

(Written Expressly for THE FREEMAN.)

As a baseball "fan" I am glad to speak in appreciation of the Negro as a baseball player. He has acught up with his white brother and at times it would appear that he has passed him. The winning of the local championships by the Leland Giants of Chicago and the high-class playing by such teams as the Brooklyn Royal Giants and the old Chicago Unions prove conclusively that the colored players have learned the game in all of its branches. A good ball player must use generalship, patience, self-control and be quick in forming his judgments. You will never get a great game of ball out of nine lazy and stupid men. The success of the colored players should give great satisfaction and encouragement to colored people everywhere. Experts have told me that Rube Foster has been for several seasons as good as any other player in America. After watching many of the Negro stars at Palm Beach this winter I am convinced that they play the game as well as the leading teams in the big leagues.

UNITED STATES LEAGUE OFFERS BIG PRICE.

Wants the Royal Giants to Come In.

Dr. Lawson has offered $12,600 for the Royal Giants to enter his new United States League, to play 126 games in the league, with a salary of 50 per cent. of the gate receipts. Nothing is doing. The owner of the Royals will give his reasons in next week's issue for not biting on Dr. Lawson's bait.

Read our great Premium offer on the fourth page.

SEASON 1910 TO BE BANNER

Formation of Associations in Different Parts of the Country Indicates that Turning Point Has Been Reached.

—By David Wyatt.—

Thousands of lovers of baseball will welcome the sound of the gong which will call to the field hundreds of baseball players. In the past when the keen eyes of the fans were critically scanning the sporting pages of newspapers their attention was mostly confined to the doings of the big leagues, with a casual glance now and then at the minors. The semi-pros have come to the front with such an amount of rapidity here of late, until now their operations attract about as much attention as the big fellows.

In the early months of the baseball season but little information as a rule can be gleaned from the colored man in baseball. This is caused through a condition which to a certain extent cannot be remedied. The business of colored clubs is carried on in such a way that they cannot give out definite news until about the latter part of May. In fact, Memorial Day is considered about the general moving day for colored clubs.

Off with the Bunch.

This year no less than a half-dozen colored clubs will start right off the reel with the big ones. Some are even going to far as to traverse the same routes of the big fellows for training trips. The Leland Giants have planned an itinerary of about nine thousand miles, while the Chicago Giants at this writing are on the second lap of a journey of about four thousand miles. The Kansas City Royal Giants have mapped out a tour which will take them over a territory heretofore new to the colored man in baseball. Quite a number of clubs have decided that they will not make training trips, but nevertheless they are busy signing up material and making preparations for an early start.

Reports from all sections of the country have been coming in and all convey fresh information of gigantic plans under consideration for the promotion of baseball. If the many plans which have been hatched are brought to a healthy life we take it to mean that the new year of 1910 will be the banner year in Negro baseball.

Great Interest Srown.

We are glad to note the great interest that has been aroused through the articles that have appeared in The Freeman from time to time. Too much credit cannot be given to this able journal for coming to the front in the interest of the great national game and the Negro who is struggling under adverse conditions for recognition. The Freeman can well be classed as the savior of the Negro in a profession which is an honor to the country and one in which thousands of American, as well as foreign, citiens are deeply interested. There is no profession which s a greater leveler of the races and there are none which will tend to mold a higher standard of moral character than our national game.

To cite the great popularity and tendency towards good that baseball has aroused we have only to note what an ardent "fan" our own President Taft is. While in Chicago last summer Mr. Taft cancelled numerous invitations for the purpose of attending a baseball contest. Mr. Taft has a brother who is financially interested in two of the most valuable baseball plants in the country. This same gentleman recently attended a semi-pro. game for the purpose of watching the Negro in baseball. Upon this occasion he was introduced to and congratulated the great 'Rube" Foster upon his skill as a pitcher. This is only one of the many compliments that have been showered upon the Negro as a player. Upon numerous occasions the colored clubs of the country have been banqueted and entertained by leading citizens of all races in different parts of the country.

The class of baseball that the Negro is putting up at this time is very good evidence that he is giving his moral and physical welfare the proper amount of attention. He has advanced far beyond that brand in which comedy plays the leading part, and has now attracted the attention of persons in all walks of life, who appreciate intelligence. These same persons have thrown down the gauntlet to all agitation of the time-worn color line and have openly declared the Negro baseball player the equal of the best and worthy of the same loyal consideration which has been shown the white players.

I mention with much feeling an instance of where a Negro baseball club was practically removed from the supposedly remote position of ordinary, rough, uncouth athletes to one which was surrounded with such an amount of friendship, sociability and loyalty that it made an impression upon every member of the club, which, in my opinion, they will never forget. Some years ago, while playing in the town of Rensselaer, Ind., the mayor of that place invited the whole club to his residence, where we were treated in a manner which would have made a king feel proud. We were assured by the mayor that it was a matter of friendship and appreciation of our gentlemanly actions and intelligent ball playing which was displayed under the most trying circumstances, as this section of Indiana seemed a little at outs with the man of dark skin. We were given the freedom of all the parlors, banquet and dance halls. We sat in the corridors of the palatial residence and smoked and we also took part in a number of the dances. After receiving showers of congratulations upon our ability as players, we all left, feeling that we had played a brilliant part in helping the white race to understand us.

I have been in a position which has caused me to come in contact with people from all sections of this country, and quite a number from foreign countries, and I have yet to find a person who has not heard of or witnessed the playing of the famous Leland Giants. In fact, a mention of these stalwart athletes always paves the way for an agreeable conversation with most any person, which is another instance of the popularity of baseball and the interest that is being displayed over the progress of the man of color in the game.

The American Negro is not alone in this late awakening to find what a grand and popular game baseball is. Reports are coming in of the formation of leagues in South America, Japan, China and Honolulu. Our colored soldiers played a leading role in introducing the game in the Philippine Islands and these islanders are progressing rapidly. In conversation with Mr. George Ade, the playwright, who has traveled through all those countries, he stated that the Japs and Chinese are playing fine baseball. They are grand fielders, but are somewhat shy in hitting. This is probably due to their smallness of stature. Mr. Ade has witnessed games in all parts of the world. He is an ardent "fan" and a close student of the game, therefore an opinion from him that the Negro has progressed wonderfully and is now playing a game the equal of the best white clubs should inspire us on to greater efforts, and now considering the manner in which Negroes in all sections are planning to further the cause, it is uite an assuring fact that we will reach the coveted goal, and that quite soon.

The preliminary process before the final opening is now on in full bloom, and through foreign reports we learn that three or four of our leading clubs have secured lineups for the season which, according to the views of their respective managers, are the strongest yet to represent the names of the different clubs. "Rube" Foster has a bunch under his wing which on paper looks to be the class of the country. The Chicago Giants also have a team of youngsters with a sprinkling of old heads which should make things hum in the City League race in Chicago. The Philadelphia Giants, Brooklyn Royals and other clubs will have their usual quota of fine talent. Foremost amongst the new organizations in the West who will try for the big honors of baseball stands the St. Louis Giants, chaperoned by a quartet of young men who have established a name for themselves as promoters and business men. We look to hear favorable reports from the St. Louis crowd this season.

The Kansas City Royal Giants are not to be denied this season, as they have set about to have a team which will make the best in the business open their eyes when they encounter them. The Leland Giants are now showing in the South, as well as the Chicago Giants. These clubs up to date have had somewhat the best of the other clubs in the fact that they have comfortable homes to return to and should a Southern tour provc a financial failure their losses can easily be recuperated, as there are thousands of fans anxiously waiting to get a peep at these husky athletes.

It is quite unfortunate that neither of these big clubs has seen fit to carry along a baseball war correspondent. This is a most important feature of training trips and the best medium for advertising not only the club itself, but all sections of the country through which they pass. We are hearing more of baseball through such at this writing and the big leaguers are exhibiting their abilities and putting towns upon the baseball map which heretofore had looked upon the game as a huge joke. The same can be said of the two colored clubs which are traveling through a territory which has sent forth material equal to the best in the country, still had no one been in a position to report upon their ability such stars as "Rube" Foster, Munson, Loyd and others would have been lost to the Negro profession.

We should speedily eliminate the prevailing methods of selfishness in baseball and we should awake to the realization of the fact that the more towns and players that we can put upon the map, the better and more substantial our financial resources become. Negro baseball has been at a stagnation for years and for no other reason than that the game has been confined to a select few. We at this time demand that all be given a chance, and if a city or town is worthy of financial consideration it should be worthy of having their business placed in print. But so long as our big clubs insist upon going into a place and grabbing all the money in sight, leaving with no other version of the story of games save their own, just that long good baseball centers will remain in the unknown class, likewise good players. All managers who are up to date and know the game appreciate the value of advertising, and such men have at all times a friendly and a welcome hand ready to extend to the news gatherer. Why our colored managers insist upon maintaining such an amount of silence and secrecy concerning their operations and plans is a part of baseball that years of experience has taught me against the wisdom of. The Leland Giants missed a fine opportunity for playing the Pittsburgs at Hot Springs through the things I have mentioned. The writer had been in touch with their manager through letters, but had no idea that they were in the vicinity of Hot Springs until they wired for dates just four days ahead, which was too short a time. We cannot afford to miss such valuable opportunities to give the white man a chance to understand us simply through lack of business foresight.

If we intend to do anything in baseball we must not be backward and dull in getting our plans before the people. Months in advance we are put in touch with the doings of big league clubs, and by the free use of the daily press their plans are heralded far and wire. These are the methods that bring success.

By the time this letter reaches the eyes of the people we will have some definite reports on the Negro in a real contest. We sincerely hope that all clubs will have the largest and most prosperous season that has ever befallen the lot of the Negro in baseball.

DAVID WYATT,

The Well-Known Baseball Writer and Sta Correspondent of The Freeman.

THE UPS AND DOWNS OF THE COLORED PLAYER IN ORGANIZED BASEBALL.

Being asked to contribute an article to The Freeman and appreciating the confidence placed in me by America's greatest colored newspaper, I could find no other course than to accept the invitation. Then the next move was mine—to find just what subject I should touch upon that would be of interest to the readers of The Freeman, as well as the baseball fans, cranks and players.

Looking back over the baseball situation, have selected a subject that I am sure will be of interest to all, as well as to enlighten a good many of the present-day players and fans, towit: "The Ups and Downs of the Colored Player in Organized Baseball."

Did you ever head of the colored baseball player in organized baseball? Do you know that at one time the colored player was in demand in organized baseball? Well, if you do not know these things, I will try to explain them to you in my humble way.

At the time I have in mind the colored player was a big factor in organized baseball, and in great demand. He drew salaries equal to the salaries paid today in any league outside of the two major leagues, and played under the protection of the national agreement. The rise of the colored player for a period of six years was very rapid, and his downward course was as if a cyclone had struck him. There were two classes of colored players in organized baseball—the individual player, playing on mixed teams of white and colored, and the "aggregation players," composed of an entire colored team representing a city in a league. The first class of players reigned from 1886 to 1888, inclusive, and the "aggregations" extended their career through the season of 1892.

The first individual player to break into organized baseball was a young man by the name of Moses F. Walker, generally called "Fleet Walker," who was hired by the Toledo Club of the old American Association to catch Tony Mullane, at that time America's greatest pitcher. Walker caught in the American Association during the season of 1884, and remained with the Toledo Club during 1885. The clubs comprising the old American Association were as follows: St. Louis Browns, Metropolitans of New York; Athletics of Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Louisville, Baltimore and Toledo. The following season, 1886, "Fleet" Walker signed to catch for Newark, N. J., which team had signed another colored "phenom." in the person of one George Stovey, a left-handed pitcher. During the first month of the race for the pennant of the International League the work of Stovey and Walker placed the Newark team in the lead, and their work being of such a brilliant order, made all the other managers cast an envious eye toward Newark's colored battery. These energetic managers at once began to look to their laurels, and immediately sent scouts through the Southern cities looking for first-class colored material. The result was the Syracuse Club found another young left-handed pitcher playing on a colored team at Memphis, Tenn., by the name of Robert Higgins. The Binghampton Club also found at Memphis another colored player by the name of Wm. Renfroe, a right-handed pitcher. Farther down South, at New Orleans, the Binghamton people found a hard-hitting second baseman by the name of "Bud" Fowler. The Buffalo, N. Y., team found the sensation in fielding near Washington, D. C., in the erson of the great Frank Grant. Rochester stepped in with a third baseman in the person of "Andy" Jackson. The season of 1886 was a great year for the colored ball player. The league that made such a big demand for colored ball players was at that time known as the International League and comprised the following cities: Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Binghamton, in the State of New York; Newark and Jersey City, in New Jersey; Montreal and Toronto, in Canada.

In 1886 Newark with the great colored battery won the pennant, Stovey and Walker being the heroes. Syracuse finished second. Bob Higgins did not join the team until July, but by his brilliant work brought Syracuse up in second place.

The season of 1887 found all the players on the same teams, and this is the year that Bob Higgins outpitched George Stovey and won the pennant for Syracuse. Higgins also led the International League in base-running and finished second in batting. Mike Slattery, who the next season joined the New York Giants, beat Higgins out for the batting honors. Higgins was such a valuable man to the Syracuse team that they kept him playing in right field when not pitching.

Frank Grant, playing second base for the Buffalo team, was another valuable man to his club. Dunlap during those days was considered the greatest white infielder in the business, and in regard to Grant the baseball writers often referred to him as the "Black Dunlap."

Pryor, third baseman, and Hill, center field, of Leland Giants, Pryor is a wonderful third baseman; and P. Hill, the great center fielder of Lelands, was born the idol of outfielders, a great base runner and a wonderful hitter; a fast man with a deadly arm to men who woud score on a hit.

In 1888 the colored player as an individual reached his zenith, and his downward march began. Before the season of 1889 started not one could be found on any team's lineup.

The same players started in the season of 1889—Higgins with Syracuse, Renfroe and Fowler with Binghamton, Grant with Buffalo, Jackson with Binghamton, and Stovey and Walker with Newark. Everything seemed to be running smoothly until the middle of the season, with Syracuse well out in front for the pennant, when Bob Higgins jumped the Syracuse Club and returned to Memphis, his home. At that time ball teams only carried about three pitchers, and with Higgins, their star pitcher, gone, things looked blue for Syracuse. The management offered every kind of inducement for Higgins' return, but he refused, and the only excuse he gave for not staying with the club was that he was homesick. That case of homesickness cost every colored player his job in the International League at the close of the season of 1888. The league met and considered the complaint of the Syracuse Club against Higgins and the outcome was that they not only took action against Higgins, but to the extent that all colored players were barred from further playing in the International League. Syracuse, of course, lost the pennant.

The season of 1887-8 found colored players in the New State League, also the Pennsylvania League. In 1887-8 Sol White played second base on the Wheeling Club, another club at that time under the national protection.

So much for the individual colored player in organized baseball.

Now, as an "aggregation" of ball players in organized baseball the colored boys went three years longer.

The Central Interstate League, comprising cities in the States of New York and Pennsylvania, was formed. The Cuban Giants Baseball Club, at that time a crack colored independent club, located at Trenton, N. J., was secured by the management of the York, Pa., Club to represent that town during the season in the Central League. During the season of 1891-2 the Cuban Giants were found representing the city of Altoona, Pa., in the same league. During their stay in this league the Giants won three straight pennants, and by so doing won their exit as a team from organized baseball, for at the close of the season of 1892 the Central League took the usual course that others had taken, met and decided that no more colored teams could play in the Central League under a franchise.

Thus we have the ups and downs of the colored player, both as an aggregation and as an individual in organized baseball.

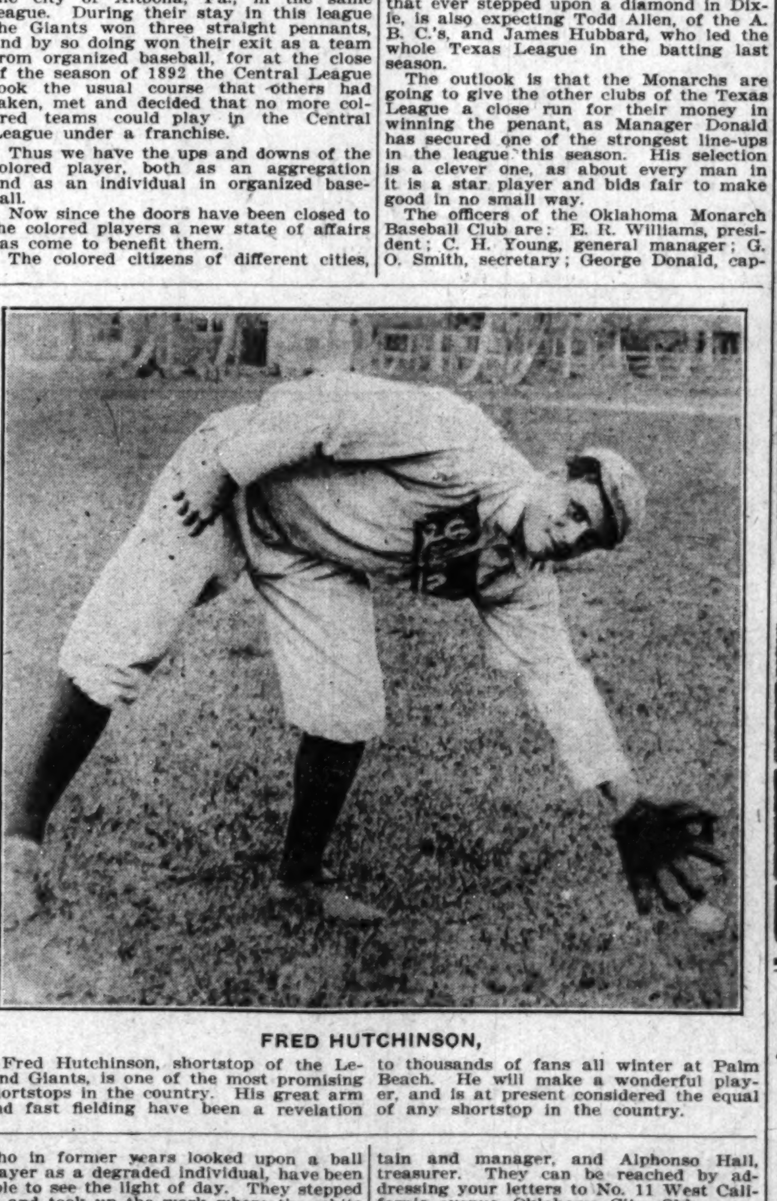
Now since the doors have been closed to the colored players a new state of affairs has come to benefit them.

The colored citizens of different cities, who in former years looked upon a ball player as a degraded individual, have been able to see the light of day. They stepped in and took up the work where the white manager dropped it and have organized and incorporated paying ball clubs in nearly every city of any importance in the United States. The colored player, although not under the protection of the white managers, is once more able to see his name on a pay-roll.

The colored player under the new regime is setting the base ball world afire by their brilliant playing, and the independent colored teams of today are drawing crowds greater than the Minor Leagues. This fact has caught that ever eagle eye of the white managers and promoters, to such an extent, that it has caused to be incorporated a new league for the season of 1910, to be known as The Uuited States League of Professional Ball Clubs (nicknamed The Black and Tan League) comprising the cities of Philadelphia, New York, Jersey City, Newark, N. J.; Trenton, N. J.; Brooklyn and Baltimore.

The purpose of this League is to sign any player of merit regardless of race or color. The result thus far obtained is, that that famous eastern organization, The Cuban Giants, has again succeeded by being signed as a team by the owners of the Franchise of Trenton, N. J. as the team to represent their town, and all the rest of the teams in this league have each signed from two to three colored players. This League is not under the National protection, but has nevertheless started a fight on the National agreement clubs.

Let us take sides with the new fellows, for they have opened the doors to the colored players, and if they are successful in maintaining their League, it will not be many days before that unwritten law which has barred the colored player from organized ball will be discovered erased from the dockets, and the colored player placed on epual basis in organized baseball.



FRED HUTCHINSON,

Fred Hutchinson, shortstop of the Leland Giants, is one of the most promising shortstops in the country. His great arm and fast fielding have been a revelation to thousands of fans all winter at Palm Beach. He will make a wonderful player, and is at present considered the equal of any shortstop in the country.

Read our premium offer on page 4. We are at work for a greater Freeman.

OKLAHOMA MONARCHS MAY WIN OUT

Have Championship Timber in Lineup.

Special to The Freeman:

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla, April 10.—The Oklahoma Monarch Baseball Club arrived here March 25 and played from the day of their arrival to April 7, winning three straight games from the Kansas City iants, and also played a series of games with the Kansas City (Mo.) Cyclones, winning one and losing one. We are now booked with Jack Johnson's Kansas City Royal iants, and will start a series Friday. After these games we return home to open on April 17, 18 and 19 with the Kansas City (Kan.) Giants, and on April 25, 26 and 27 we cross bats with Rube Foster's world's colored champions. After such a schedule has been played the management thinks the Monarchs will be in the pink of condition to win the penant in the Texas League.

We open May 7 at Gainsville, Tex., with San Antonio, Ft. Worth and Houston to follow. Manager George Donald is well satisfied that the flag will wave over the Indian city. He has such men on his pitching staff as Harry Washington, who gained the name of the spitball artist while making a great reputation on the Kansas City, Kans., Giants' team last year; Andrew Skinner, one of the greatest young southpaws known, who made a great record by shutting out the Central Stars in Chicago, August 10, 1909. Outside of Foster, he is the only pitcher who ever shut out the Cubans.. "Baby Webb," the pride of Texas, who starred with the unridden Bronchos last season and also made a hit with the fans along the coast in the winter league, teh past season, and is now in splendid form from its effects, is also on the staff. Robert Boone, one of the world's greatest southpaws, is in championship condition. Also Stercus, a colt fresh from Fish University, has been added to this clever line-up of champions.

Mr. George Donald, notwithstanding the fact that he has the greatest ball tossers that ever stepped upon a diamond in Dixie, is also expecting Todd Allen, of the A. B. C.'s, and James Hubbard, who led the whole Texas League in the batting last season.

The outlook is that the Monarchs are going to give the other clubs of the Texas League a close run for their money in winning the penant, as Manager Donald has secured one of the strongest line-ups in the league this season. His selection is a clever one, as about every man in it is a star player and bids fair to make good in no small way.

The officers of the Oklahoma Monarch Baseball Club are: E. R. Williams, president; C. H. Young, general manager; G. O. Smith, secretary; George Donald, captain and manager, and Alphonso Hall, treasurer. They can be reached by addressing your letters to No. 11 West California avenue, Oklahoma City, Okla.

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BASE BALL BUSINESS SIDE.

The Game Has Passed the Experimental Stage—A Career Is Offered Promoters—Good Investment for Business Men.

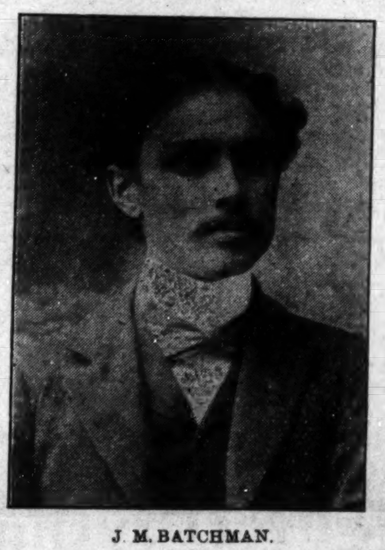
—By J. M. BATCHMAN, Danville, Ill.—

Baseball commands more attention at present than any other pastime. It is indeed the one great American game that is destined to become more popular with age; the rapid rise of the small leagues in all sections and the continued talk of a possible third major league accentuates the fact that its intense popularity has made it one of the most prosperous amusement enterprises. Cuba has come to the front rapidly; the recent victories over American teams which have gone there to pick up the easy change, have only served to heighten interest, and if the Cubans are as successful in their invasion of the States as they expect, there will be about as many crazy bugs in Havana as there were in Detroit and Pittsburg during the late world's series. Peculiar interest attaches to the Cubans, some of whose best players are Negroes. In the recent contests at Havana their victories were in a great measure made possible by Negro ball tossers on the team. Little Japan, not to be outdone, developed teams in Tokio and Yokohama which successfully took the measure of the University of Wisconsin's nine, and now American baseballdom is threatened with the yellow peril. The little Jap will be watched with much interest as he cavorts about the diamond, for there is every reason to believe, if the Mikado's subjects take to the game sufficiently to form leagues after the style of American magnates, the Flowery Kingdom will turn out stars unsurpassed by those this side of the Pacific. Small wonder, then, with the evidences of flattering financial successes abroad, that a party of Easterners should contemplate the invasion of Paris with American teams. Any sport which has received newspaper space like baseball, properly staged, ought to be a vertitable gold mine in a foreign city like Paris.

The Negro has always been a positive quantity in everything truly American which stands for progress or a high state of development; somehow when a thing has matured or is at its zenith, standing as an object lesson to American push and energy, somewhere a glance will reveal the Negro, who refuses to be discarded when plaudits are to be awarded. In the ring Dixon, Jackson, Walcott, Gans and Johnson have toppled them all; in football Lewis of Harvard was the All-American center; in running Taylor of Pennsylvania had few equals; in baseball Ware captained Wisconsin; in exploration Matt Hanson pinned the flag to the pole. In the conduct of baseball as a pastime as well as a business the Negro has not been asleep. The Leland Giants, Philadelphia Giants and the St. Paul Gophers, together with numbers of other good colored teams, bear attest to Negro brain and enterprise in financing those amusemnet ventures, which depend, to a great extent, on Negro patronage for support. It is true Negro teams are excellent attractions against white nines in some sections. The demand in this respect has been fairly well supplied; still, the real meat of the baseball situation from a business standpoint, with few exceptions, will be found in those cities where there are large Negro populations. The idea suggested by a FREEMAN correspondent recently relative to organizing Negro leagues over the country, offers to the energetic business man acquainted with promoting amusement enterprices a much better field for investment than appears on the surface. Leagues of colored teams in cities of the Southern, Texas and South Atlantic circuits, as well as in other combinations of cities offering reasonably small mileage, would pay fair profits, provided, the men in charge of affairs knew how good a quality of ball was required; how to measure patronage by box office receipts, and how to avoid giving any one city too much baseball or enough to injure the game. Such a venture must of necessity be developed slowly; the way is unexplored, and it will require plenty of gray matter to frame organized baseball from the constitution up; all the ground which has been covered by white organizations must be gone over, and while they have worked out every detail and exhausted all causes of friction, the burden of securing results will prove no little task. However, the inducements offered are excellent; franchises and players could be secured with little outlay of capital and the eventual return in disposing of them would mean a neat sum in the treasury.

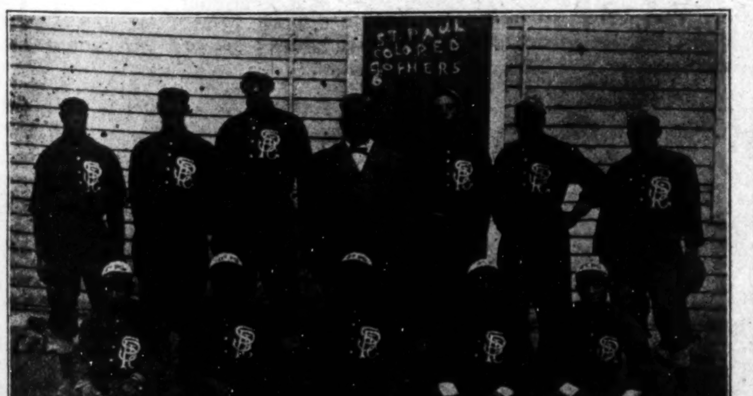
The country is full of good ball players who, if brought under the operation of organized baseball, would make the profession one of which to be proud; numbers of these men now have irregular employment, but cling to the game because of their love for it. They spend season after season in the amusement of the public. The opportunity which could be offered them to make a living out of a pastime which is now a pleasure is simply creating employment for a class of men who would work at it, make money for the promoters and give good service because it would indeed be an occupation of choice rather than one of compulsion. A good deal has been done in lifting up the game and offering it as a calling to ambitious athletes, yet all that has been done is merely an entering wedge. There are numerous players of good material in colleges who would make good promoters or managers; as a rule these men early have their attention diverted to another direction, offering far less recompense, and this is true because so much has been left undone which could have been accomplished if we made more practice of taking the initiative when the opportunity presented itself.

In baseball, as in a good many other things, where competition places those who take part in it before the public and allows a comparison of relative merits, there is too great a disposition to revel in athletic prowess rather than consider the value of the thing in dollars and cents. The wrangles of the magnates of the American and National leagues have always turned on the real coin of the realm involved, profits and losses; in their councils it made little difference which was greater, Cobb or Wagner. That is left very kindly to the fans who pay the freight. The real live wires, though, in the baseball world think out every move in dollars, dream dollars and concern themselves with little else so far as the business is concerned. The Negro promoter who would be successful must do the same. What the public wants is real baseball on a business basis, a dividend-paying basis; it will rejoice in good gate receipts practically as much as in an all-star team, provided a fair article of ball is offered. The race has commenced to think more about what the efforts made are worth in bread-winning, whether the object attained is in providing amusement or running a factory; accumulated wealth in Negro purses is the goal, and promoters who keep this in mind, maintain a high-standard sport, will find Negro purse-strings always untied. Approach any ordinary business man who sells shoes or dry goods, present him a proposition touching the purchase of so many tons of pig iron and he will very quickly inquire what that has to do with shoes or dry goods. So in our great national game the real promoters, the men who put up the cash, should leave the relative merits of the playing ability of the various teams severely alone. Most of them have been a credit to the race; there is glory enough in their splendid records to go around; petty jealousies, long-winded arguments, etc., should be left to fans and those not directly interested. Patrons of the game are naturally partial and the true promoter should seek to turn each fellow who boosts for him into not only a fixture at each game, but a baseball bulletin on the street and in every cafe.



J. M. BATCHMAN.

The coming season should be one of vast importance; many new teams will make their start. Never in the history of baseball has the interest been so pronounced. The opportunity to reap the harvest is presented and the men who seize time by the forelock will be on the ground floor, entrenched in the good graces of the public with bright future prospects. If we are to keep step with the times, if there are those who think themselves large enough for magnates or managers, the harvest is large, the laborers are scarce; get your feet wet and "play ball." The game offers you a future. Are you in a position to accept?



THE ST. PAUL COLORED GOPHERS, 1909.

Standing—From Left to Right: John Taylor, p; Barton, c. f.; Marshall, 1st b.; Philip Reid, manager; Davis, p; McMurray, c.; Wallace, 2nd b. and captain. Sitting—From Left to Right. McDougall,ss.; Milliner, l. f.; Jas. Taylor, 3rd b.; Binga, r. f.; London, p.

For the past three years the city of St. Paul, Minn., has possessed among its assets the famous Colored Gophers Baseball Club, financed and managed by the well-known Negro sportsman and prince of good fellows, Mr. Philip E. Reid, and under the personal direction of Mr. Irving Williams this remarkable organization did more to advertise the city of St. Paul than any other single institution ever did, and were a great credit to the city, the game and their race. During the three years of their activity they visited all the more important cities of Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan, North and South Dakota, and from the press and public everywhere visited reports have come testifying to the high regard in which the team is held because of the thorough gentlemanliness of its members, who have never once engaged in any riotous proceeding. Never has it left the field, never has it celebrated victory with undue levity, but with dignity, order and honesty this famous aggregation of Negro ball players toured the great Northwest and have established for themselves, their race and their city a reputation and a record never before equalled by a top-notch independent aggregation in America. The Colored Gophers in its three seasons of play against the worthiest foes outside the big leagues have won a total of 305 games out of 365 played—54 defeats and 6 games tied—giving them the remarkable percentage of .853. In the season of 1907, under the personal field direction of that clever and able little field general, J. H. Smith, of Chicago, former manager of the Leland Giants, they won 37 consecutive victories, including a no-run, no-hit game against the La Crosse, Wis., State League team, defeating the same season the St. Paul American Association team 2 out of 3 games for the Northwestern championship.

To the management is due much credit for this clever Negro aggregation, the most sensational as well as conservative team of players that the great Northwest ever seen, for with their superb play, marvelous fielding and clever base-running, along with some of the brainiest tricks known to baseball, they have startled the entire fandom throughout the Western States and further evidenced the fact that the Negro race stands for clean sport and is equal, if not superior, to his white brother in athletics. During the series in St. Paul last July, when they defeated the then world's colored champions, the Leland Giants, of Chicago, 3 out of 5 games for the title, sporting experts of the Twin City papers declared that the games in question constituted the finest and brainiest exhibition of the national game ever witnessed in St. Paul and further credited the Gophers of 1909 as being one of the most wonderful baseball machines ever known to the semi-pro. ranks.

Not only did this famous organization in 1909 succeed in winning America's colored championship, but met and defeated all comers, showing clearly their superiority over all the semi-pro. and independent teams in the West and Middle West during the seasons of 1907-8-9.

Prominent on the team of 1909 were Bobby Marshall, the noted ex-University of Minnesota football and baseball star; George ("Chappie") Johnson, the greatest Negro catcher ever known to baseball; Felix Wallace, second base, one of the brainiest and cleverest infielders ever produced in the Negro ranks, and the famous Taylor brothers of Birmingham, Ala.; "Steel Arm" Johnnie Taylor, pitcher, and James Taylor, third base, all of whom have been signed to play with Frank C. Leland's Giants this season, a member of the City League.

The fourth season for this famous aggregation will start about May 1, and already several games have been booked with the Minnesota and Wisconsin State League teams, and the management is looking forward to another prosperous season. Most of last season's great team has been retained with some formidable new talent that will doubtless help the far-famed Colored Gophers maintain their high standing on the baseball fields of the great Northwest and further help establish the worthy, honest and high standing of the Negro in baseball.

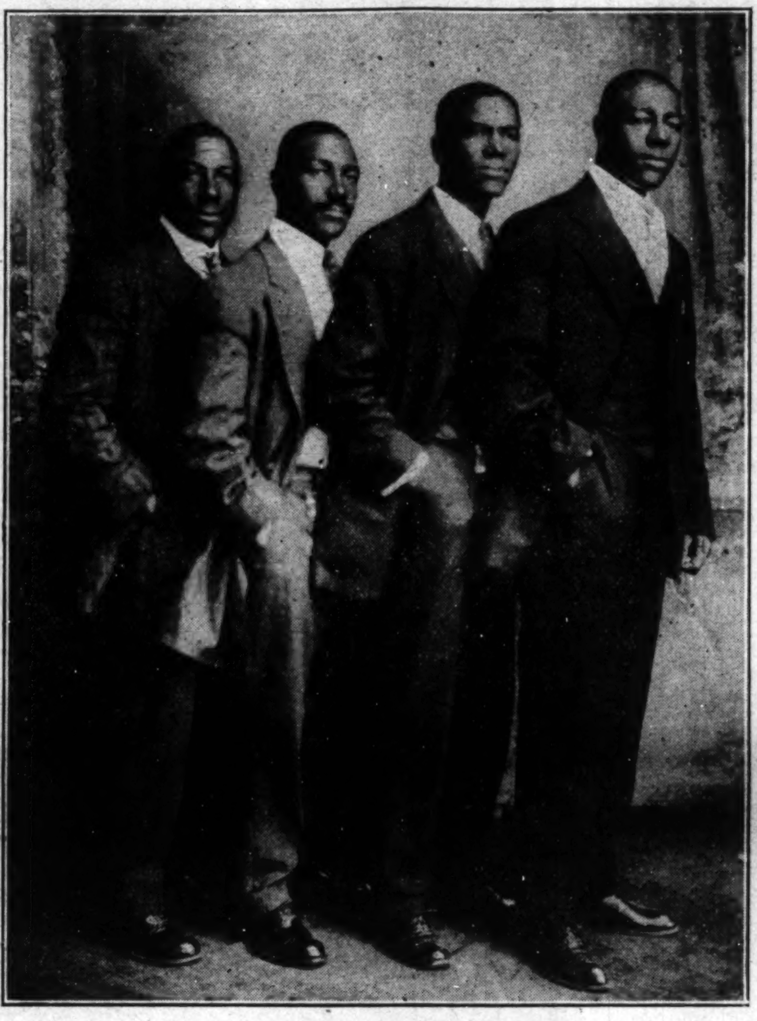
MR. J. W. SPENCE,

Treasurer of the Illinois Giants Ball Club.

Mr. J. W. Spence is the treasurer of the Illinois Giants Ball Club and a promoter of football. Mr. Spence and David Wyatt have been associated for the last five years in the promotion of baseball, football and other sports.

Mr. Spence was the organizer of the Illinois Giants and the Maroons Baseball team. He also organized one of the strongest football teams that ever represented Chicago, the Douglas Center team. They defeated the Herks of Indianapolis, the Lincoln Institute of Jefferson City, Mo., and others among which were the famous 9th and 10th United States Cavalry teams.

Mr. Spence is not saying much about the Illinois Giants this year, but from all reports it will be one of the fastest teams in the country, and has a fine pitching staff. There is usually a lot of fire where there is not much smoke.



THE FAMOUS TAYLOR BROTHERS.

PADUCAH CUBS WIN FROM CAIRO

Opening Game Is Well Attended by Fans.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

PADUCAH, Ky., April 5.—The Paducah Cubs and the Cairo (Ill.) Four Hundred baseball clubs played their opening game here Sunday. The Cubs won by the score of 3 to 1. Cairo held the champs down up to the fifth inning to the figures of 1 to 0 in favor of the visitors. The feature work of the game was the battery of both clubs, Hale and Harrington for the Cubs and Gregory and Russell for Cairo. The attendance was 2,000. Both teams will play again to-morrow at Cairo. The lineup for Cairo is: Randolph, third base and captain; Thomas, shortstop; Thomas, second base; White, first base; Washington, left field; Biddle, center field; Akers, right field; Gregory, pitcher; Russell, catcher, and Davis, manager. The lineup for the Cubs is: Head, left field and captain; Boyd, center field; Lane, right field; Boyd, first base; N. Head, second base; Thomas, shortstop; Rodgers, third base; Hale, pitcher; Washington, pitcher; Arvington, catcher, and Hale, manager.

IRVING WILLIAMS.

Fans, players and friends will doubtless recognize the above as Mr. Irving Williams, of St. Paul, Minn., who has so successfully booked and guided the destinies of the famous Colored Gopher Baseball Club for the past three seasons. Through his hustling, undying efforts this celebrated organization gained the name and fame it now maintains in the baseball world and has perhaps covered more territory in three successive seasons than any other top-notch independent baseball team in America.

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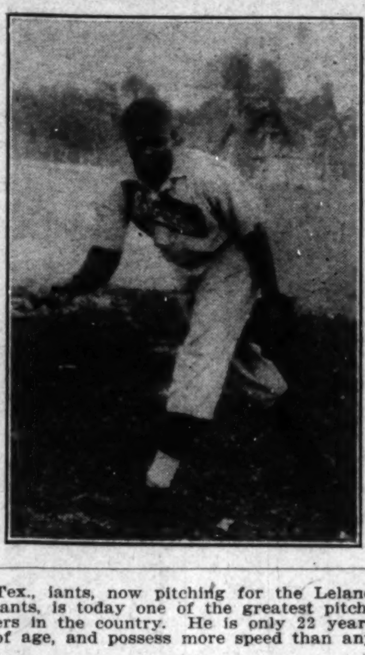
Frank Wickmore, formerly of Dallas, Tex., lants, now pitching for the Leland lants, is today one of the greatest pitchers in the country. He is only 22 years of age, and possess more speed than any other man now pitching. His coolnees and delivery humbled the Royal lants time and time again.



TEXAS MAGNETS FORFEIT MONEY

Which . Forms . the . State . Colored League.

Special to The Freeman.

DALLAS, Tex., April 8.—Texas baseball magnates met in Dallas and put up their forfeit money, which forms the Colored State League. Houston, San Antonio, Fort Worth, Dallas, Gainesville and Oklahoma City were represented, and all seem well pleased. Each manager is now trying to secure his players. As the season calls for over 140 games, each team will have some hustling to do to please the fans. The Dallas manager has promised classy playing this season, and others must do the same.

KANSAS CITY SCORE BOOK.

THE FREEMAN is in receipt of the Kansas City Royal Giants' baseball score book; and in looking over the half dozen or more pages, one can not help noting the enterprise on the part of the management. It is filled from cover to cover with clean advertisement.

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EDWARD H. ROGERS,

WHO I THINK WILL WIN THE CHAMPIONSHIP

And the Poor Showing of the Cubans.

—By THOMAS I. FLORENCE.—

Sporting Editor THE FREEMAN:

Sir.— I want to say that my choice is the Leland Giants when it comes to the winning of the world's championship of colored baseball because they are the greatest organization of Negro ball players that has ever been gathered together in this country. They are the best all-round ball players in the world today, barring none. When it comes to a series of games the Philadelphia Giants, Brooklyn Royal Giants or any of the rest of them have not a ghost of a chance with the Leland Giants. Of course, you will soon see that my statements are true by the time that this season has come to a close.

Foster and Loyd are a ball team within themselves, to say nothing of the other stars. My selection of itchers is: Walter Ball, Pat Doroughty, Rube Foster and Steel Arm Johnny Taylor. To my way of thinking Pat Doroughty has got the best selection of balls of any young pitcher of today. Everyone knows that Walter Ball and "Steel Arm" Johnny Taylor are the most sensational pitchers of the race. As to the best catchers of the day I will say: Petway, Booker and Pettis.

Batter up!

I have often read a great deal in the daily papers concerning the Cubans as being wonderful ball players, and it being a hard task for either the American or National leagues to beat them out of any number or series of games down in Cuba. I will admit that the Cubans are very clever ball players when it comes down to squeeze playing. And who learned them all they know? Take it from me—the Negro. I will also tell you why it is so hard for the big league teams to defeat these Cuban clubs. Simply because a majority of their teams consist, in a greater part, of American Negro star ball players, such as Petway, Hill and Loyd. You will find a vast difference in their playing since they have drawn the color line in Cuba. That they are poor batters goes without the saying, for about all islanders cannot hit a ball because of their stature. It takes the American Negro when it comes down to real hard hitting and slugging to effect home runs. I had the pleasure of seeing the series of games played last season between the Leland Giants and the Cuban Stars and in those games I found the Cubans almost helpless in the hands of the Leland Giants, which goes to show that the Cubans as ball players are a rank failure.

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ROYAL GIANTS HAVE BOSS LINEUP

Jack Johnson's Men Look Good.

Seemingly the Kansas City (Mo.) Royal Giants have a line-up this season that can hardly be beat in the way of championship timber. It is as follows:

PLAYER.	POSITION.	LAST SEASON WITH.
C. Pulliam	Catcher	K. C. Monarchs
S. Meckling	Catcher	Salina, Kans.
Chas. Childs	Pitcher	K. C., K., Giants
Lown Lee	Pitcher	Omaha, Neb.
Dan Booker	Pitcher	Keystones, Minneapolis, Minn.
Cody Buckley	Pitcher	Ellsworth, Kans.
Dougherty	1st Base	Dallas, Tex.
T. Taylor	2nd Base	Ellsworth, Kans.
Smith	3rd Base	Topeka. Kans.
Thos Sterman	L. Field	K. C., K., Giants
E. J. Millner	C. Field	Gophers, St. Paul, Minn.
Jack Johnson	R. Field	K. C., K., Giants
Stopughers	Utility	Des Moines, Ia.

WHAT THE ROYALS AND LELAND GIANTS DID AT PALM BEACH.

What the Score Sheets Tell of the GAMES.

The following is the complete scores of all games played at Palm Beach, Fla., recently between the Royals and Leland Giants' teams:

	Score.	Hits.	Errors.
Leland Giants	4	1	0
Royal Giants	1	3	0
Foster and Booker; Earle and Pettway.			
Leland Giants	1	7	2
Royal Giants	0	2	0
Daugherty, Harper and Booker; McClellan and Pettway.			
Leland Giants	1	2	1
Royal Giants	1	3	0
Wickware and Johnson; Buckner and Pettway.			
Leland Giants	0	3	1
Royal Giants	1	2	0
Foster and Booker; McClellan and Pettway.			
Leland Giants	9	11	2
Royal Giants	6	7	2
Daugherty, Wickware, Harper, Foster and oBoker; Thomas and Pettway.			
Leland Giants	6	9	2
Royal Giants	4	7	2
Daugherty, Wickware and Booker; Earle, Buckner and Pettway.			
Leland Giants	5	8	3
Royal Giants	5	7	1
Wickware and Booker; McClellan, Buckner and Pettway.			
Royal Giants	5	..	..
Leland Giants	2	..	..
Thomas, Pettway and Wickware; Daugherty and Johnson.			
Royal Giants	10	12	0
Leland Giants	2	4	2
Royal Giants	5	11	1
Leland Giants	4	7	3
Buckner, Pettway, Wickware, Johnson.			
Royal Giants	2	3	1
Leland Giants	3	4	1
McClellan and Bradley; Foster and Booker.			
Royal Giants	0	2	0
Leland Giants	1	2	0
Buckner and Bradley; Wickware and Johnson.			
Leland Giants	3	..	..
Royal Giants	2	..	..
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NEW ORLEANS TEAM IN GREAT CONDITION

Sunny Jim Hamilton Is In Much Demand.

NEW ORLEANS, La., April 8.—The New Orleans baseball club has got down to condition at last after some strenuous practice games. President Frank Polambo is yet very anxious to get Sunny Jim Hamilton signed up, but so far has not succeeded in doing so. Everything points to success here this season, and Manager Stevens says, "We are going to make somebody hustle to beat us out of the world's championship." Carrollton Park will be the scene of tall doings this summer. So look out everybody. Any teams desiring games with the New Orleans base ball club will address me at 5838 Oak street, New Orleans, La."

CAIRO, ILL.

The Free Baptist Ministers Institute convened at Cairo, New Hope church, from March 28 to 31. Prominent visitors were Dr. H. M. Ford, of Hillsdale, Mich., field secretary for that demonimation; Rev. Fred Comber, of Johnson City, Ill.; Rev. G. A. Gordon, of Campbell Hill, Ill.; Rev. J. C. Berry, of New Madrid, Mo.; Rev. A. J. Donaldson, of Mound City, Ill.; Rev. M. A. Jones, of Fulton, Ky., and Rev. Hayes, of St. Louis, Mo. The program was adhered to, except in cases of absences. The speaking was interesting. Miss Emma L. Minnis, principal of Garrison school, as is her custom, read an interesting paper, scoring decisively for "The Dues and Debts of Women." The program at the banquet Thursday evening was carefully and neatly arranged, having selected vocal talent from the Cairo Symphony, which was in harmony with the excellent contributionh from Mound City. The whole was ably suported by Mrs. L. Livingstone, organist. After the program Messrs. Dickson and Spates catered. ....Miss Arminta Taylor, teacher, and her fifth grade Locust school pupils entertained a full house at St. Michael's hall Thursday evening.

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THE UNITED STATES LEAGUE

What the Outcome Will Be When the Promoters Draw Upon Colored Players.

Formal plans for launching a league known as the United States League were perfected some time ago in the East. Mr. Lawson, of outlaw league fame, is the main sponsor for the new organization, and has sent forth the news that colored players will be welcomed into the league. The intentions of the new league may be all right, but the circumstances which have brought about its formation have designs which will tend to jeopardize the already weak standing of colored clubs and players. We are outside the fold of organized ball at this writing, and we can not hope to gain any favor through casting our lot with any person who is known to be planning warfare against that organized game. At present we have numerous friends and admirers in all leagues, and they stand ready and willing to help us when we show that we are making an effort to help ourselves. We have no person to blame but ourselves for our present standing and condition in baseball. It is a well-known fact that we have practically stood still and watched the formation and rapid progress of a few hundred leagues and have utilized the time-worn characteristic of appealing to the sympathy of our white friends to pave the way, until now we are face to face with a serious proposition which should result in our forming a league of colored players only. This should be done to show the powers that be n baseball that we have realized our mistake, and at this late hour we intend to make a step in the right direction. We should push forward at all times and abstain from association of any kind that might result in a backward movement; that is what outlaw ball is. It is a move in the wrong direction, and the patrons of the game are against it, as they want to see the integrity of baseball upheld at all times, and this can not be done in the outlaw game. There is a strong sentiment in all parts of the ocuntry against outlaw ball; this has been shown. The National Commission has about erased all evidence of the outlaw, and recently sent their chairman to Chicago to try for some kind of an agreement with the semi-pros there which would practically bring them into the fold; included in this lot were a half dozen colored clubs.

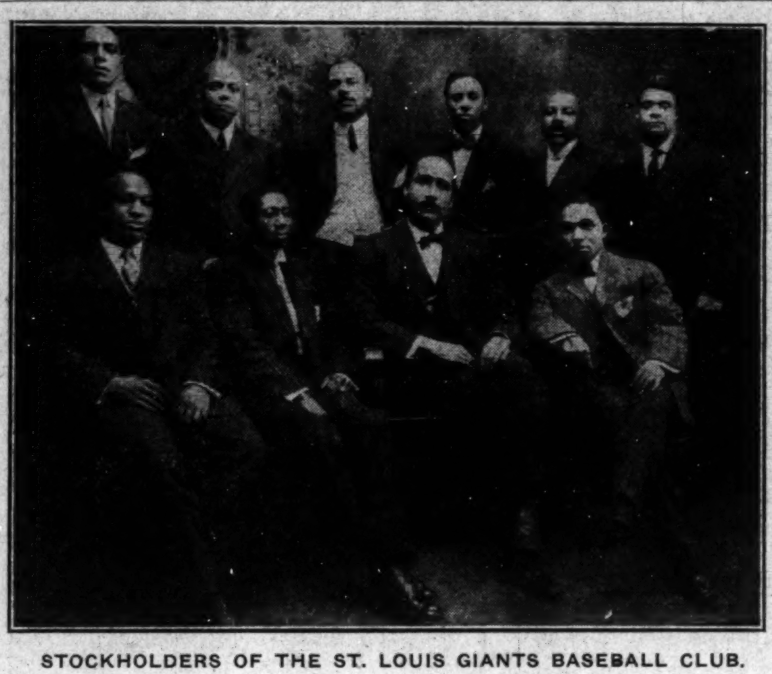
This late move by the commission would make it appear that the new league is short of the class of material necessary to make a showing in the cities they have selected, and as the ability of our boys is well known in the cities named, it occurred to the promoters that to state that they would use anybody who can play ball, making a specialty of colored players, it would be the best kind of advertising, as the people in this country are fond of novelties. But it has been shown that they do not go in baseball unless they carry a surplus amount of merit. If they draw upon the star colored players where will they get running mates for them? The development of players is being carried on in all parts of the country in a legitimate way, and these players are placed in leagues of good standing; players have long ago discarded the idea of bucking organized ball, and you will not find a player fit for minor league service who will join us in the proposed league. The promoters of this affair will have either to use a lot of green amateurs or resort to the use of a lot of old has-beens that no league would take to in order to have teams. It looks like a bunch of "bunk" when they say they will play for the championship of England. Baseball in that country is practically an amateur game, but were it football it would have a nice chance for making good with the Johnny Bulls.

The fact is that we have no particular kick coming, and we are not making a great howl over discrimination. The majority of our players are old in this game and there is not a league from coast to coast but what you will find magnates, managers and players who have at some time been closely associated with colored players. A dozen or more of colored players whom I could name started their careers upon vacant lots and in alleys with men who are now the leading lights in the game, from an owner's standpoint, on down to the humblest position. You will note that quite a number of league men in conversation will always ask the whereabouts of some player or players among our boys, and you can safely bet that away down deep within his breast he has the greatest respect and admiration for that particular player or players, whichever the case may be. I will go on record with the declaration that I can muster up a dozen or more of big men in the baseball world at any time who will gladly and willingly do all within their power to aid any movement in the right direction that we may see fit to make.

If this new venture is really a certainty, what are the chances to last? The promoters have a failure upon their record as a result of a former attempt to combat organized ball. There is no way in which a fight against baseball as governed now can be made with anything like a chance to succeed, and if there was, we are the last persons to take part in any such movements. We must work along the lines of harmony and try to get into a position which will insure us the good will of the powers that be in the game. This can be done by organizing associations having enough capital and brains behind them to promote baseball in an upright, legitimate business way, just as you would organize to promote the spiritual and intellectual welfare and dozens of other movements which we have been successful at. The circus plan of advertising things furnishes gerat reading material and an abundant amount of dope for all kinds of wild dreams; this, together with a few tricks as used by the cheap shoestring politician, has been worked overtime on the colored man and has brought down upon our backs quite a lot of unfavorable comment, as we have always more or less fallen easy victims to the ruse. We should try to discourage such practices, as they are always used by a class known as get-rich-quick schemers, who always lay very deep plans in order to bring about the final result. There is a standing opinion, not only in baseball, but in many other walks of life, that the colored gent, generally speaking, is too easily bribed and led astray. We at this time should do all within our power to erase such thoughts from the minds of those who hold the key which will unlock the door to success for us. But so long as we fall easy victims to the wiles of unscrupulous schemers, just that long will we remain at the bottom.

A few things generally overlooked by persons who think well of the league are these: No Negro baseball men were called into the conference, neither was information of such a venture sent to a Negro journal. Three thousand dollars is a pretty stiff salary limt for a new venture on the novelty order. Some of the oldest and most substantial leagues in the country are wabbling under just such a limit. But considering the cities named, the limit is a good guess at that. What chance would we have to cavort around the diamond with whites in Baltimore, where there has been a long fight against our use of our voting rights. If we cannot successfully do such in Chicago, Boston and New York at present, we must admit that the promoters have certainly got the goods if they can bring about such a state of affairs in a Southern city.

The promoters of this league should speedily make an opening for both capital and brains; that is, if they intend to enter upon friendly relations in a business way with us. Our aid in baseball, as much so as in anything else, should be to become landlord as well as servants. Such is what brings about harmony, good will and success, and these are the things uppermost within our minds. I do not wish it understood that I am opposing a movement to help us, neither am I knocking what the inexperienced might consider a good thing. I contend that we can only get to the front by being good, law-abiding citizens in baseball, just as much so as in everyday life; therefore, we must work in a manner which will admit of no embarrassment when we see fit to place our cases before the supreme powers who rule the game.



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TO INCREASE THE BATTING AVERAGE

By Harry Daniels, New York City.

Special to The Freeman.

Cut down the size of the home plate, and I will venture to say every follower of baseball will see great improvement in hitting. Whereas at present the front of the plate is seventeen inches wide, say make it about nine inches. Then the batter will be able to get an even break with the pitcher, who now has everything in his favor. With a home plate half its present size, a pitcher would need perfect control to get the ball over. All this business of cutting across the inside and outside would be a thing of the past. There wouldn't be enough to the plate to give the pitcher the advantage of feeding outside low ones that can only be hit into some fielder's hands. Then, too, the batter would know that the pitcher would have a hard job cutting such a plate, and would pass upu all balls that now he has to go after, because he is afraid they are going to curve just a bit over. With a home plate nine or ten inches, as it may be, the ball would have to look pretty good right from the start, and if it didn't a batter could easily pass it up. There would be more bases on balls at the start, and that would mean a base on balls or a hit or a hard liner that would bring a fine fielding play. A smaller plate seems to me to be the thing, even if it only produces more bases on balls; in fact, that's where the batter would come in.

During the playing season of 1906 Roger Bresnahan, then of the New York Nationals, and now of St. Louis, caused the fans to ogle and laugh when he came out to do his catching wearing shin guards. This only went to show what great improvements have been made in the playing styles of baseball during the last twenty-five years. When one goes to a ball game in this decade he sees that every fielder has a large glove on one of his hands. The pitcher also has a glove, while the catcher is protected like a knight of old. First he has a pneumatic catching mitt, there is a heavy wire mask over hi sface, while his body is protected with a chest pad, and in many cases he wears shin guards.

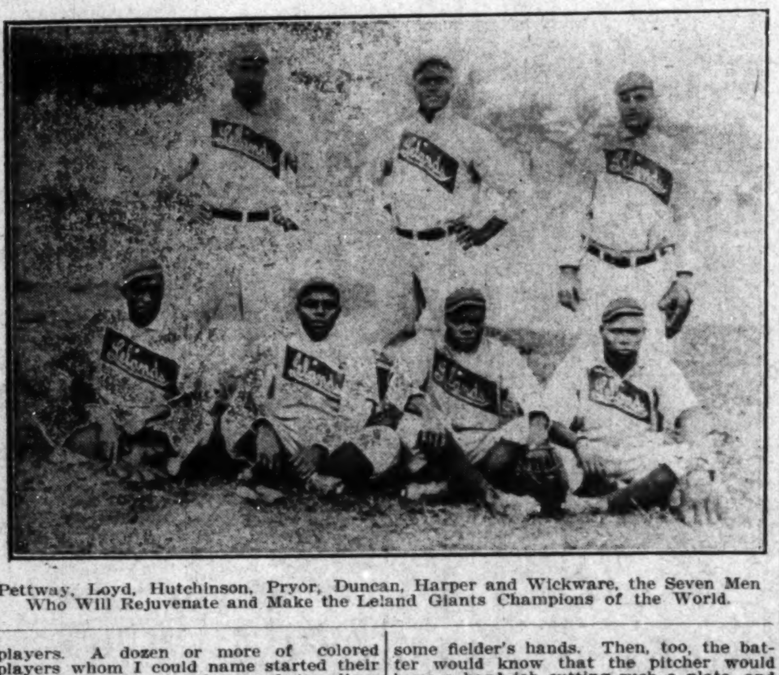
Things were different in the old days. The backstops cared nothing for the bumps and knocks they used to get. "Dug" Allison, of the old Cincinnati Reds, had every finger and thumb on his hands broken time and again, and all the protection he ever had was a piece of raw meat tied to his hands. The same thing could be said of "Silver" Flint and dozens of others.

Getting back to the catcher's mitt in California baseball history, Fred Carroll, who earned his laurels with Pittsburg, and "Sandy" Irwin, who afterward caught the great Charley Sweeney and Radbourne at Providence, in 1884, under his right name, Vincent Nava, never used a glove out this way. If the hand became split or a finger broken, players followed the old trick of "Poss" Miller, of the Eckford team, of Brooklyn, who came to California in 1869. For a break they just tied it up in catgut, and for a split they used a little hot paraffine or a little rosin. And maybe that ball didn't travel in those days. It was either a "Van Horn" or a "Mahn," and heavier than the one now used, while the pitcher was only 45 feet away from the plate.

As to a mask, such a thing was unused on the California diamond until 1883. None of the old fellows thought enough of them to use it. "Billy" Barnie, who afterward managed Baltimore and Louisvill and Brooklyn in the National League, used to protect his mouth with a rubber shield like our football players use now, and half the time he played without that. Jerry Denny, who gained laurels as the greatest third baseman that ever lived, invented a glove back in the late seventies, and when he presented one to "Jim" McDonald, that player threw it away.

The mask first came into vogue in California in 1883, when Charley Neal, then manager of the Mutual team of Oakland, brought one from New York for his catcher, "Rooney" Sweeney, and the day he placed it on his head and went up behind the bat he was "booed" until he took it off in disgust. Later the fans began to see the benefits of the wire covering and it gradually became popular.

To "Live" Taylor belongs the honor of being the first man to use a glove, although some of the old veterans won't give him the medal. He came on the field one day with an old driving glove, having cut the fingers off, and that seems to be the first of a fielder's glove in baseball. Jerry Denny got his idea from that, and from that time on the improvement in baseball mitts has been wonderful.—San Francisco Chronicle.



Pettway, Loyd, Hutchinson, Pryor, Duncan, Harper and Wickware, the Seven Men Who Will Rejuvenate and Make the Leland Giants Champions of the World.

"THIS FIGHT IS A BUSINESS MATTER WITH ME."—JOHNSON.

By John L. Footslug.

Jack Johnson is going through his preliminary conditioning stunts in his training quarters in the rear of his home on Wabash avenue. He says he is in pretty good shape already, and that he expects to beat Jeffries inside of twenty rounds.

Said Johnson:

"I expect to knock out Jim Jeffries within eighteen rounds, or you can make it twenty, to be exact. It may take a trifle longer than I look for. But not a minute over twenty, and that goes. This is no press stuff that I'm handing out, either. I believe I have the Indian sign on Jeffries, and when the time comes some of the smart fellows who are figuring on seeing a big hog killing, with me playing the part of the hog, are in for the surprise of their lives.

"Fighting is a simple matter of business with me. I'm in the game for what I can make out of it, and personal likes and dislikes don't cut any ice with me, no more than it does with any other business man who lays his plans to clean up a bunch of money. Of course, I'm proud of being the first colored man that has held the world's heavyweight championship. It's only human nature that I should be. I'll admit there have been men I fought that I didn't have a power of use for, but I never let that interfere with any scheme of fighting I had in mind.

"In my opinion a great part of a fighter's success lies in having a pretty good idea of what he may expect his opponent to do, as well as having his own plans made a bit in advance I never fought a man yet that I didn't have some notion of how he intended to go at me. Intuition, I think, is what the learned guy calls it. Anyway, whatever it is, I've got it, and it served me well in the past. Before I boxed Burns I knew that he would try to rush me off my feet, and he tore after me just as I expected him to do. Of course, Tommy Burns and Jim Jeffries are two very different persons, but the principle's the same. I know that Jeffries figures on taking the heart out of me early in the game. He thinks he can bull me all over the ring in the first eight rounds and have me hanging on for dear life. And that's the idea a good many of his friends have, too.

"The man doesn't live on this earth who can throw me around just as he wants to. Jim Jeffries is a strong fellow, all right, but when he bumps into me he'll be bucking up with a man that's every bit as strong as he is. Where do some of these dopesters get the hunch from that I'm a chicken compared to him? I know I don't look the part, and you can ask any one I've boxed with if I'm an easy guy to maul around at close quarters."

At the present time Johnson has four assistants in his training quarters. One of them is Sig Hart, the veteran Chicago bantam. Sig reaches somewhere about Johnson's waist, and buzzes about the place like a bumblebee. What he lacks in height he makes up in quantity of speech, and is an especial pet of the big colored fighter, who is continually bandying jests and engaging in lively arguments with his diminutive protege. In fact, Hart is rightly looked upon as the comedian of the quarters, and Johnson asserts that it is impossible for him to contract a fit of the blues while Sig is in the neighborhood.

In his roughest sparring or wrestling bouts with Marty Cutler, Jack never loses his good humor. Cutler is a massively built young fellow, equipped with a pair of excessively broad shoulders, a bull-like neck and an aggressive jaw. He is a handy chap with the gloves, and being long in the reach and exceptionally powerful, is able to carry fight to the champion at a lively rate. He earns his money, however, for Johnson does not treat him too gently when they are exchanging wallops.

On the mat Cutler has a better chance of evening up matters, for the wrestling game is where he shines. But even here Johnson's remarkable strength manifests itself in no small degree. To begin with, he is a hard man to secure a hold on, and can wriggle out of the tightest corners with the slickness of an eel.

RETAIN THE FRANCHISE IN THE LEAGUE.

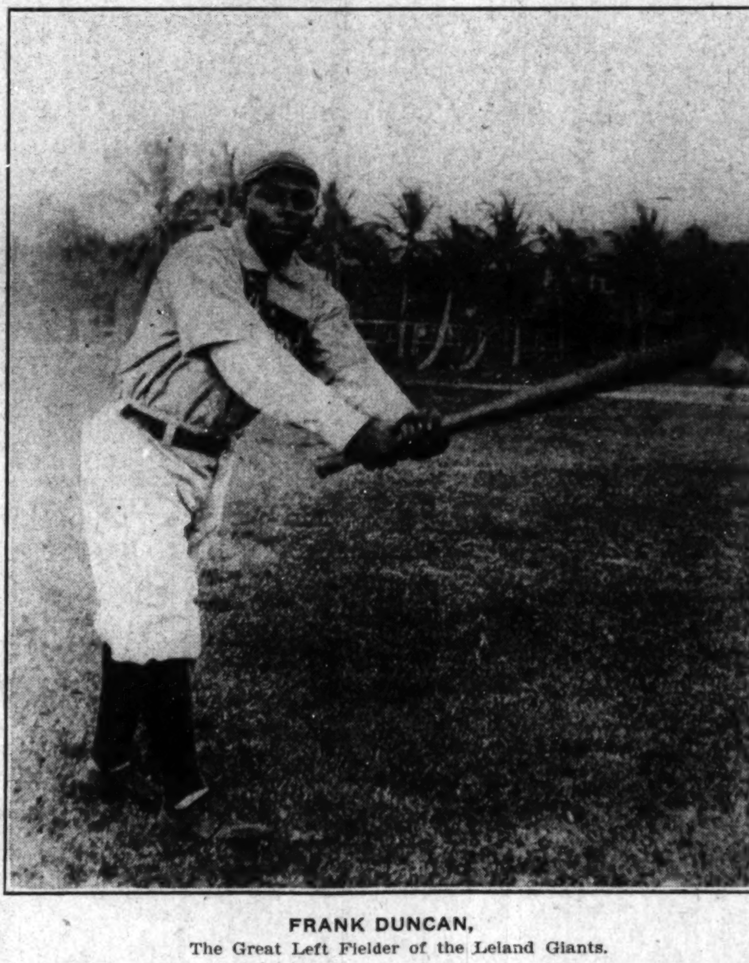
The colored people of Memphis are expecting great times in the baseball line this summer. A syndicate of business men has decided to retain the franchise in the Colored Southern League, realizing the material benefit as well as the sport to be derived. The Memphis aggregation is a State chartered organization and has all its players under a guarantee and well secured contract of a limited salary. Dates have been arranged with such well-known colored teams as the Atlanta Depens, the Birmingham Giants, Nashville National Giants, Louisville Giants, New Orleans Deweys and Leland Giants. Manager Redwood has over forty or fifty applications for berths in his possession, and the weeding-out game has started.

Julius London, the old Memphis favorite and crack twirler of the St. Paul Gophers of 1909, is expected daily from Houston, Tex. Ed Wall, who is connected with the Phoenix Athletic Club as boxing instructor, has been retained as secretary and press agent, and everybody is satisfied that future pleasure in a business-like manner is guaranteed. J. R. Redwood, the admirer of the fans, will render his politic services as manager.

MONARCHS RETURN TO THEIR HOME TOWN

Will Play the Royal Giants on Their Return.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 12.—We will leave here to-night for Oklahoma City, Okla., where we play three games, two with the Kansas City, Mo., Royal Giants. We have an excellent manager, who is well experienced in baseball affairs, and he also plays a good game at short. We have a first-class infield, and it is as follows: McAdo, first base; J. Webb, second base; George Donald, shortstop; J. Norman, third base; Otto Bolden, catcher; Bennett, right field; Williams, left field; Boone, center field, and the famous Rube Washington, pitcher. We also carry three utility men, namely, Babe Webb, James Hubard and Robert Robinson. George Donald, our captain and manager, made quite a hit on the coast by his clever generalship, and also his work around the short field. He distinguished himself as a real baseball player and manager for the Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Ga., and captain of the famous Birmingham Giants, and he also was responsible for the Black Buckingham Bronchos of San Antonio, Tex., winning the pennant in the Texas League. We expect to tour the country after the close of the season, and also be in the big tournament in Chicago with the following teams: Cuban Stars, Leland Giants, Philadelphia Giants, Royal Giants, Brooklyn, N. Y., Leland's Chicago Giants, and Kansas City, Mo., Royal Giants.



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JACK JOHNSON EMPLOYS NEGRO PHYSICIAN

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MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 15.—Just to show that the rumors that have been going the rounds to the effect that Jack Johnson is prejudiced toward his own color falls away below the real character and disposition of the foremost pugilist of the age, Mr. Johnson has secured Dr. Frank C. Caffey, a colored physician of this city, to act as medical expert in his camp. Already ontracts have been signed up and Dr. Caffey will receive $150 a week and be furnished transportation to and from Oakland, Cal. Dr. Caffey is looked upon as being one of the best physicians in the South, having one of the largest practices in this city.

THE OWLS WILL SURELY HOOT.

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SOUTH BEND, Ind., April 15.—Have you heard that the Afro-American Order of Owls will fly to the American Hall, April 21, at South Bend, Ind., where they will hoot and hoot to the tune of the Owl orchestra from 9:30 to 1 a. m., and you won't have to be able to see in the dark—as real-for-sure owls do—in order to see and enjoy the first entertainment and good time to be had there. Of course, there will be many nice old Owls present to see that you don't find a dull moment on the limb of a beautiful old oak tree that they invite you to roose upon, at 75 cents a couple. The committee in attendance on those who will come to help the Owls hoot will be: Dr. W. W. Anderson, Thurston Rowan, G. E. Bailey, Verly Smith, N. Alston and A. F. Walton.

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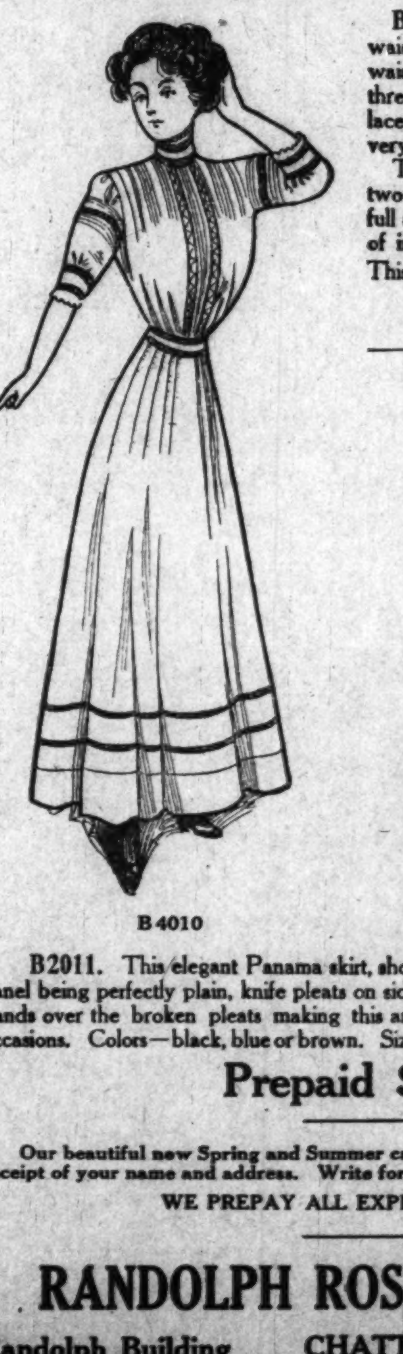

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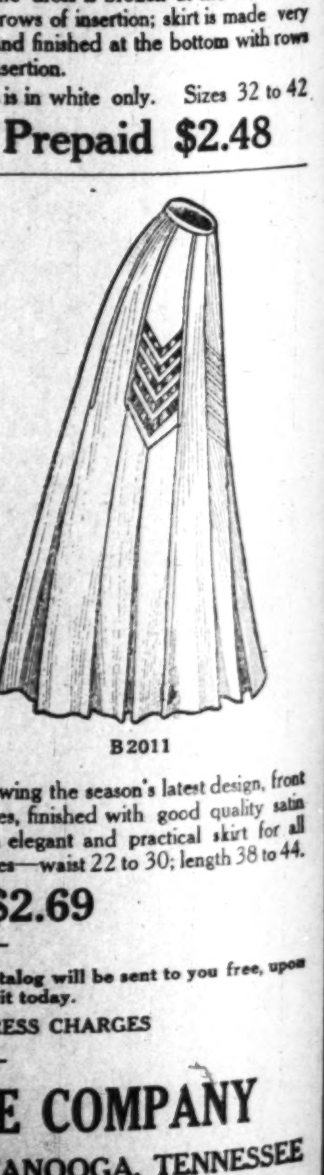

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